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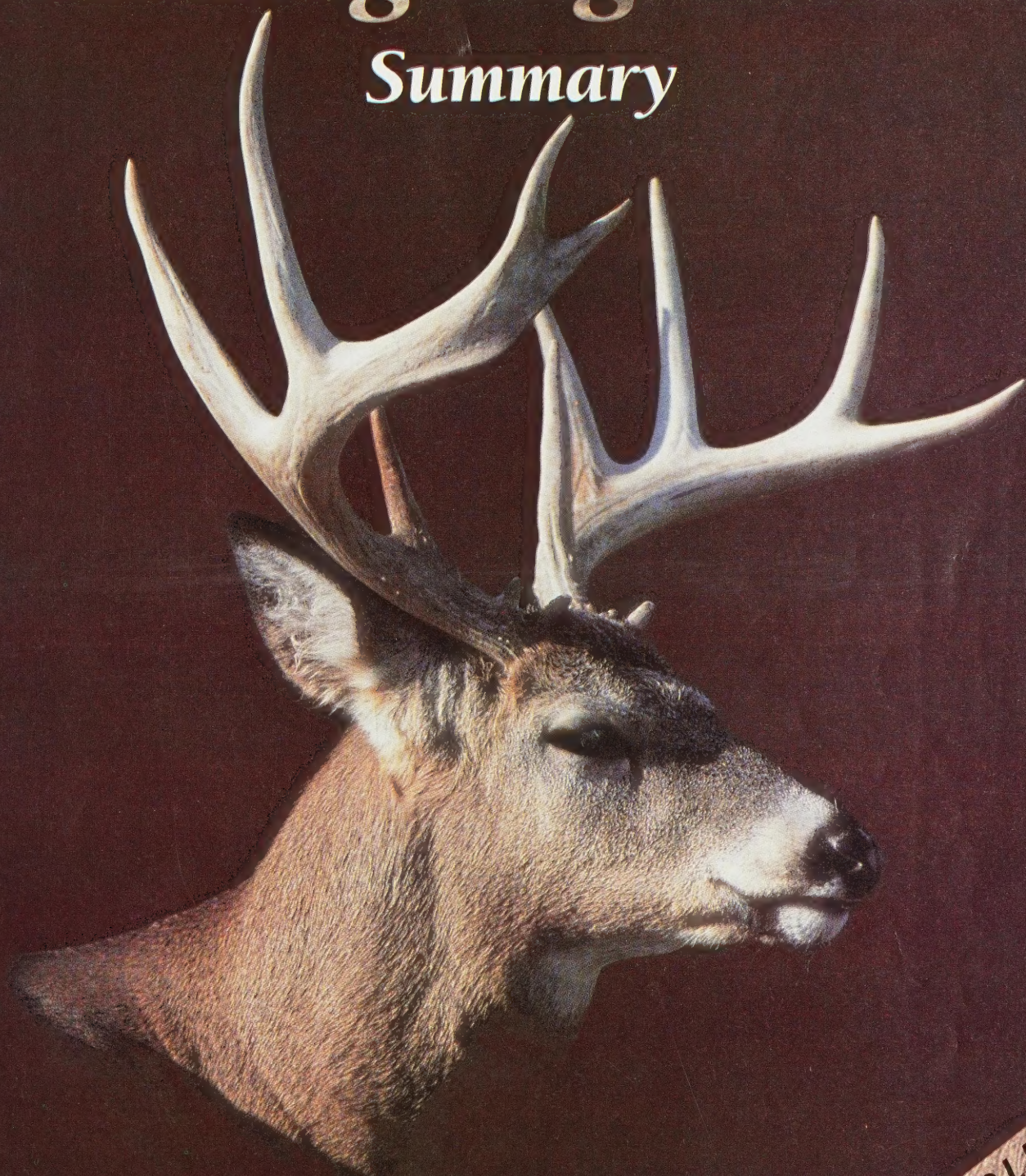
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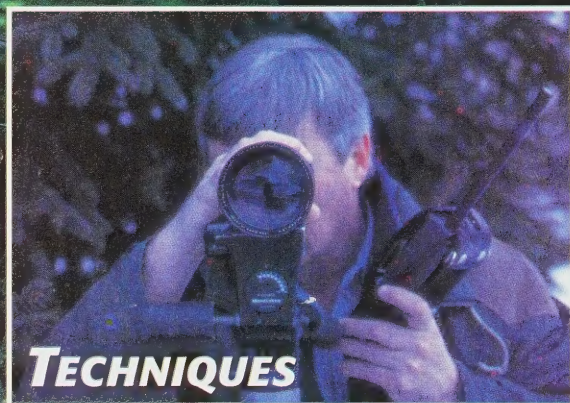
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Ontario's

Conservation Officers

Protecting your hunting and fishing opportunities!



TECHNIQUES

"Special Services" Officers are trained in covert operations, forensics and intelligence gathering.



TECHNOLOGY

DNA testing, state-of-the-art surveillance equipment and computer analysis provide world-class investigative capabilities.



TACTICS

Our new Flying Conservation Officers can now effectively access remote areas.



TRAINING

Canine handlers and their dogs are trained to sniff out evidence.

Help prevent abuse to our natural resources, report violations by calling the nearest District Office listed on page 51 of these regulations or call CRIMESTOPPERS at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

(This page is dedicated to the memory of Ben Attard (background photo), nominated posthumously to receive the 1998 North American Wildlife Enforcement Officer of the Year Award.)

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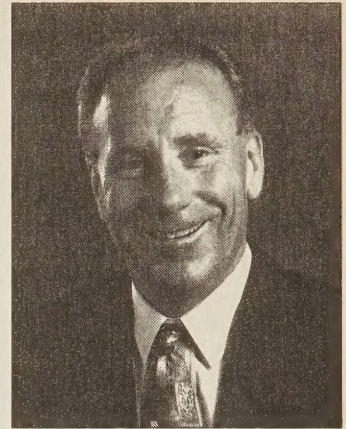


WE'RE LISTENING TO HUNTERS!

For decades, hunters have played a significant role in wildlife management in Ontario.

As Minister of Natural Resources, I clearly recognize the many benefits of a cooperative relationship between the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ontario hunters.

With the creation of the Fish and Wildlife Special Purpose Account, every dollar spent on hunting and fishing licences is used to support fish and wildlife management. Through the creation of provincial advisory bodies, extensive consultation and joint working groups, hunters are able to share their knowledge, experience and perspectives with a broad range of MNR resource managers. The results have been very gratifying, and hunting opportunities have been expanded in many areas of the province.



The Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board advises me, as Minister, on the most effective use of fish and wildlife revenues. The board's recommendations have led to more funding for fish and wildlife law enforcement, revitalization of the Community Wildlife and Fisheries Involvement Programs (CWIP and CFIP), the creation of a new marketing initiative to promote fishing and hunting in Ontario, as well as reviews of the moose, deer and bear programs.

The ministry mailed over a quarter of a million surveys to Ontario's moose and deer hunters last year to seek their input on some of the changes recommended in George Simmons' Review of Moose and Deer Tag Allocations. As a result of the input received from Ontario hunters through the review process, the ministry has made important modifications to the moose and deer draws.

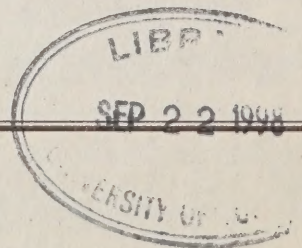
Last year, the provincial Big Game Management Advisory Committee was established to advise MNR on game management and hunting issues. This committee, made up of hunters and wildlife managers from all regions of the province, has made valuable input to management strategies, ensuring that hunting opportunities are protected and enhanced. Page 30 of this summary contains details of the big game committee's recommendations and how we are following up on them to improve your hunting opportunities.

Later this year, it is expected that the new Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act will be proclaimed, replacing the current Game and Fish Act. This new legislation will respond directly to the concerns of the public who have asked for changes in the way we protect and manage wildlife. It will be a consensus document that reflects the views and concerns of a diverse range of people and organizations.

Sound wildlife management decisions depend on acquiring the best available information on wildlife populations and harvest. This is another area where hunters have an important role to play. Many of you will receive a survey in the mail asking about your hunting experience. The information from these surveys is very important to wildlife management in the areas where you hunt. Please complete and return your questionnaire, should you receive one.

Your cooperation and input are vital to our success in managing Ontario's big game populations.

Hon. John C. Snobelen
Minister of Natural Resources



WORKING TOGETHER TO INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ONTARIO'S HUNTERS

Changes resulting from the Simmons Review of Moose and Deer Tag Allocations will make applying to the moose draw more predictable for groups and will continue to ensure that as many hunting parties as possible have access to an adult moose hunting opportunity. Results of last fall's mail survey of resident moose and deer hunters and the provincial Big Game Management Advisory committee's recommendations for improving the draws are outlined on pages 30 and 31 of this summary. Changes to the moose draw, including the establishment of a Guaranteed Group Size and a new tag transfer process, are explained in more detail on page 36.

Last year, many changes were made to the controlled deer hunts in the southern agricultural region of the province. Increased hunting opportunities include longer archery seasons, shotgun and muzzle-loader hunts that now run Monday to Saturday, additional seasons in some Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) and the ability to harvest more than one deer in WMUs 90 to 93. These developments met with such

strong approval by hunters that a further review of deer management in Ontario is being carried out this year to build on the progress already achieved.

Based on advice from the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board, a review of the Ministry's Bear Management Program is also underway. The review, including an examination of bear population densities and harvest levels will allow the ministry to manage black bear populations with greater confidence and more flexibility than was previously possible. This will assist wildlife managers in determining those WMUs where bear hunting opportunities can be increased.

The Wild Turkey Working Group, with representation from MNR and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, continues to guide one of Ontario's most successful wildlife reintroduction programs. Program emphasis is on expanding the range and size of turkey populations. Increased opportunities have been recommended for wild turkey hunting in areas where additional harvests can be sustained. Wild turkey populations in some WMUs have been

so productive that consideration is being given to allowing hunters to bag a second wild turkey during the spring hunt.

The Ontario Waterfowl Advisory Committee, consisting of representatives from the Canadian Wildlife Service, the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, makes recommendations on sustainable harvests of waterfowl populations. Again, the emphasis is on increasing hunting opportunities, especially for abundant species such as giant Canada geese in southern Ontario, and for Snow Geese. Further information on waterfowl seasons and limits is found on page 48 of this Summary.

Hunters, conservation organizations and other interested individuals have contributed many thousands of volunteer hours to a wide range of community wildlife involvement programs and partnership initiatives. For example, through the cooperative efforts of 12 participating organizations (see inside back cover) major progress has been accomplished in Ontario's elk restoration program.

ONTARIO'S FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ACT

- It is expected that during 1998, the **Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997** will come into force, replacing the Game and Fish Act. This new legislation will provide an important tool in support of the conservation and management of the province's valuable fish and wildlife resources.
- The new Act includes improvements in three broad areas:
 - better protection and management for a broader range of species;
 - enhanced enforcement provisions; and
 - improved client services.
- Work is now under way on regulations, policies and procedures, training and communications

associated with the implementation of the new Act, once it is proclaimed.

- The ministry will ensure significant regulatory changes related to the implementation of the new Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act are widely communicated. Hunters should watch carefully throughout the year for the proclamation of the Act and any regulatory changes related to their particular hunting activities.
- Copies of the new Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act are available from Publications Ontario (telephone 1-800-668-9938 or 416-326-5300).

Note: Until the new Act is proclaimed, the Game and Fish Act and the regulations made under it are still the law.

IMPORTANT

PLEASE NOTE - POSSIBLE FURTHER CHANGES TO THE 1998/99 HUNTING REGULATIONS

As the 1998/99 hunting summary goes to press (April/98) there are a number of reviews underway that may result in some regulations changes for the 1998/99 hunting rules. Possible changes include:

1. We are currently carrying out a further review of deer hunting opportunities. This review will likely result in recommendations for some extensions of existing seasons, additional areas where a second deer licence is allowed and perhaps some additional seasons.
2. New wild turkey seasons are being proposed in WMU's 67 (Leeds portion) and 85 for spring of 1998; also, it is proposed that hunters be allowed to purchase a second turkey licence.
3. Changes are being proposed in the definition of party hunting for moose, deer and bear as well as when the game seal would need to be affixed for big game species. NOTE: There is no intention to eliminate party hunting of big game.
4. Additional early September seasons for Canada geese as well as extended winter goose seasons in 1999 are being considered.

ALL OF THESE PROPOSED CHANGES WILL REQUIRE AMENDED REGULATIONS. CHANGES, IF APPROVED, WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO HUNTERS BY WAY OF NEWS RELEASES AND OTHER MEANS. HUNTERS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO CHECK WITH THEIR LOCAL MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT OFFICE PRIOR TO THEIR HUNT REGARDING ANY CHANGES THAT MIGHT AFFECT THEM.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

This booklet summarizes information dealing with licences and some hunting laws. This summary is neither a legal document nor a complete collection of the current regulations. It is meant to be a convenient reference only. For complete details, see:

- a) the Game and Fish Act (Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter G.1) and the Regulations made under this Act;
- b) the Migratory Birds Convention Act - Canada and the Migratory Birds Regulations; and
- c) the Endangered Species Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.15 and the Regulations made under this Act.

Each species or group of species has a section in the last half of this summary. Each section deals with basic regulations about hunting the species and Open Season Tables (showing you when and where you can hunt that species). The maps that show the Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) boundaries come right before these sections.

See the Glossary on page 50 for the explanation of terms.

You can obtain specific details of the Regulations (including more accurate descriptions of Wildlife Management Unit boundaries) from the local offices of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).

HUNTING includes chasing, pursuing, following after or on the trail of, searching for, shooting, shooting at, stalking or lying in wait for, worrying, molesting, taking or destroying any animal or bird whether or not the animal or bird be taken or subsequently captured, injured or killed. You need a hunting licence to do any of these things, except where the Game and Fish Act states otherwise. No person shall use, while hunting, any device capable of throwing or casting rays of light on any object.

LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

If you wish to hunt, you must have a licence valid for the species or group of species you are hunting and you must carry the licence and validation tag with you while hunting. You must show the licence to an Officer if asked to do so. Check the tables in this summary to see what, when and where

you may hunt. (Animals listed in the tables may be hunted only during an open season.)

Residents and non-residents must be 16 years of age or older to be eligible for a licence to hunt. Residents may get a licence at 15 years of age, but they must first get consent in writing from both parents, one parent (if not living with both parents) or a legal guardian.

Contact your local police department for information about the requirements for firearm ownership, Firearms Acquisition Certificates and Minor's Permits (for those under 18 years of age).

TO OBTAIN A LICENCE TO HUNT you must have one of the following:

IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT
an Outdoors Card (Hunting).

IF YOU ARE A NON-RESIDENT

- a) an Ontario non-resident's hunting licence issued to you after January 1, 1968;
- b) a hunting licence issued to you by a competent authority in any jurisdiction as a resident of that jurisdiction after January 1, 1968;

- c) an Ontario Hunting Licence Examination Certificate issued to you after January 1, 1968;
- d) an Ontario Hunting Licence Verification Certificate showing that you were issued an Ontario licence to hunt or passed the Hunting Licence Examination;
- e) a certificate, issued to you after January 1, 1968, by a competent authority in any jurisdiction, giving you permission to purchase a resident's hunting licence in that jurisdiction; or

- f) an Outdoors Card, Hunting (issued when qualified as a resident).

- c) an Ontario Hunting Licence Verification Certificate showing that you were issued a hunting licence as a resident or that you passed the Hunting Licence Examination.

TO OBTAIN AN OUTDOORS CARD (Hunting) you must be an Ontario resident. You must complete an application and submit it to the Outdoors Card Centre with one of the following items:

- a) an Ontario resident's licence to hunt issued to you after January 1, 1968;
- b) an Ontario Hunting Licence Examination Certificate issued to you after January 1, 1968; or

It is illegal to get an Outdoors Card, licence, licence tag or validation tag by giving false information, or to accept an undated licence or one dated before or after the date you applied for it. Licences may not be exchanged as part payment towards another type of licence.

1998 LICENCE AND TAG INFORMATION

(GST included in all fees)

(Tags and seals are considered to be part of the licence.)

1. MOOSE LICENCES

- a) Resident's licence tag to hunt moose \$31.00
- b) Non-resident's licence to hunt moose \$272.00

2. DEER LICENCES AND TAGS

- a) Resident's licence tag to hunt deer \$24.00
- b) Farmer's licence tag to hunt deer \$16.00

You must complete an "Application for a Farmer's Licence to Hunt Deer" form (provided by licence issuers) to get this licence. This licence tag is valid only in the county (or as the case may be) in which you reside.

- c) Dog licence (deer and moose) \$7.75
- d) Non-resident's licence to hunt deer \$123.00

3. BLACK BEAR LICENCES

- a) Resident's licence tag to hunt black bear \$24.00
- b) Non-resident's licence to hunt black bear ... \$123.00
Non-residents must have a Black Bear Hunting Licence Validation Certificate as well as a black bear hunting licence. They must also complete the report that comes with the Certificate and return it to the issuer of the Certificate by the date indicated.

4. SMALL GAME LICENCES AND TAGS

- a) Licence tag to hunt small game \$10.00
This licence is valid for a resident to hunt birds (other than wild turkey) and animals (except bear, caribou, deer, elk, moose, badger, beaver, bobcat, fisher, lynx, marten, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, red squirrel or wolverine). You also need this licence to hunt game birds on game bird hunting preserves.
- b) Resident's raccoon licence to hunt raccoon at night \$7.75

If you wish to hunt raccoon at night, you must carry your raccoon licence and your Outdoors Card that has a small game licence tag attached. You must also be accompanied by a dog licensed for raccoon hunting. You can only use a .22 calibre rim-fire rifle chambered to .22 short, .22 long or .22 long rifle for hunting raccoon at night.

- c) Resident dog (raccoon) licence \$7.75
- d) Non-resident's small game licence \$59.00

A licence to hunt small game authorizes a non-resident to hunt fox, game birds, rabbits, raccoon, wolf and squirrel. It does not allow you to hunt red squirrel and wild turkey. However, you can hunt wild turkey if you possess a wild turkey licence and a non-resident small game licence. The non-resident's small game licence also authorizes the holder to hunt game birds on game bird hunting preserves.

- e) Non-resident's licence to hunt game birds on a game bird hunting preserve \$15.00
To hunt game birds on a game bird hunting preserve only, a non-resident must have this licence.

5. WILD TURKEY LICENCE

- Wild turkey licence \$16.50
- If you are a resident, you must have a wild turkey licence along with your Outdoors Card with a small game licence tag attached. If you are a non-resident you must have a wild turkey licence and a non-resident small game licence (see page 4 for requirements).

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

(waterfowl, common snipe and woodcock)

You must have a Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit and a Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp, as well as an Ontario licence to hunt small game. You may buy a Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp at any post office.

EXPORT PERMIT FEES

(see also **Export and Shipping**)

- Moose \$30.00
- Deer \$30.00
- Bear \$30.00

Hunter Training Courses and Examinations

Anyone applying for their first Ontario resident's licence to hunt and any residents who have not held a resident's licence since January 1, 1968, must complete Ontario's Hunter Education Course and pass the Hunting Licence Examination. If you have moved to Ontario and have been issued a hunting licence by the jurisdiction of your previous residence, you may apply for the examination.

To more effectively meet the needs of prospective hunters and firearms owners, the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Solicitor General have introduced a "One-Stop" Ontario Hunter Education and Canadian Firearms Safety Course. Graduates of this program will be able to obtain a hunting licence and a firearms acquisition certificate. In addition, hunting licence examinations are now being conducted by certified private sector examiners across Ontario. For additional information, contact your local hunter education instructor's association or the local MNR office.

Hunter Orange

The Hunter Orange regulations came into effect September 1, 1997. This requirement is to help safeguard Ontario's hunters.

Hunter Orange must cover a minimum of 400 square inches above the waist and must be visible from all sides. A hunting coat or vest generally meets this requirement. Orange headcover is also required. Camouflage or open mesh Hunter Orange does not satisfy the requirements.

Licence Issuers

Licence issuers are located throughout Ontario, at convenient locations such as sporting goods stores, hardware stores and tourist camps.

Licences, Tags or Game Seals Lost, Stolen or Destroyed

If your Outdoors Card is lost, stolen or destroyed, you may get a replacement by contacting the Outdoors Card Centre (1-800-387-7011). You will receive a replacement for the card and any three year licence tags.

If you lose your Outdoors Card and annual licence tags, you must complete an application for a search for a fee of \$7.75. The card and any annual licence tags will be replaced for the above fee. If you lose the game seal, contact the local MNR office.

If you lose your non-resident licence or resident paper licences, you must complete an application for a search. The fee is \$7.75 for each lost licence. The search can only be done if the paper licence was purchased in the current year or the previous three years. You need to give the name and address of the licence issuer and the date of purchase (month and year). If possible, ask your licence issuer for the original licence number.

The above procedure also applies with necessary modifications for a lost, stolen or destroyed Hunting Licence Examination Certificate.

Licence Validity

The licence shows the period of time for which it is valid commencing with the date and time of issuance. To be valid, the licences must be completed and signed. Licence validity or expiry dates do not indicate open season dates. For open seasons see tables and maps in this summary.

All licences expire on December 31 in the year they were issued.

No hunting licence is valid from the 16th day of June to 31st day of August next following in the parts of Ontario lying north and west of a line from Georgian Bay to the Ottawa River, formed by the southerly boundary of the District Municipality of Muskoka and the southerly and easterly boundaries of the Territorial District of Nipissing.

For more details on valid licences, contact your local MNR office.

Transfer of Licences

It is illegal to transfer a licence, tag, coupon or seal to another person. It is illegal to give or possess any game seal other than your own, or use or attempt to use a licence, tag, coupon or seal issued to any other person. Under certain circumstances, however, moose tags can be transferred (see Tag Transfers page. 37).

IMPORTANT REGULATIONS

Firearms

Firearms include air or pellet guns, bows and crossbows. You may use semi-automatic or self-loading firearms for hunting in Ontario, but **not** revolvers, pistols or fully automatic firearms. For storage and transportation information, contact your local police department.

A firearm is considered to be loaded if it has a cartridge in the chamber or in the magazine that is attached to the firearm.

A muzzle-loader is a gun that is loaded through the muzzle.

You must plug semi-automatic or repeating shotguns so that they will not hold more than a total of three shells in the chamber and magazine combined. You cannot possess any clip/magazine that holds more than five shots for a semi-automatic centre fire rifle under the Criminal Code.

You must not discharge firearms from or across any highway or road in any county or regional municipality designated in the regulations or from or across the travelled portion in any other area.

Generally, you are not allowed to have a loaded firearm between the fences, or if no fences, within eight metres, of the travelled portion of a King's highway, secondary highway, county road or a maintained township road in parts of Ontario as listed in the regulations. These regulations apply year round in most of Ontario south of the French-Mattawa river system; however, in some areas of southern Ontario, it only applies during the gun season for deer. Contact your local Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) office for specific information.

On the Aulneau Peninsula, from September 1 to December 15 and from April 15 to June 15, you must not use a shotgun loaded with ball or with shot larger than number 2 lead shot, steel shot that is not larger than triple BBB shot, bismuth shot that is not larger than double BB shot or a rifle of greater calibre or projectile power than a rifle as the .22 calibre rim-fire rifle. The calibre limitations do not apply to flintlock or percussion cap muzzle-loading rifles.

Check local sunrise-sunset times. You may only hunt from a half hour before

sunrise to a half hour after sunset, except as otherwise provided. If you are in places where game live or may be found during a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, you must unload and encase shotguns, rifles or other firearms in your possession. Firearms must be securely enclosed in a manner whereby they are not readily accessible.

Some townships have by-laws restricting the discharge of firearms. Check with the local municipal office for details.

Remember: Hunting carelessly is an offence. Hunters who discharge firearms without due care and attention, or consideration for persons and property, are liable to a fine of up to \$25,000 or imprisonment — or both.

Small Game (Firearms)

While hunting small game you may not possess or use a rifle of greater calibre or projectile power than the rifle known as a .22 calibre rim-fire rifle or shells loaded with a ball or with shot larger than number 2 lead shot, steel shot that is not larger than triple BBB shot, bismuth shot that is not larger than Double BB shot while hunting in an area and at a time during which there is an open season for deer, black bear and moose, unless you possess a valid licence to hunt deer, black bear or moose as the case may be.

The above does not apply where there is an open season for hunting deer with a bow and arrow only.

You may not use a rifle of greater calibre than .275, except a flintlock or percussion cap muzzle-loading gun, for hunting small game in the counties of: Brant, Elgin, Essex, Huron, Kent, Lambton, Middlesex, Northumberland, Oxford, Perth and Wellington and the regional municipalities of Durham, Haldimand-Norfolk, Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth, Niagara, Peel, Waterloo and York and The Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto.

Black Bear, Deer and Moose (Firearms)

A rim-fire rifle, a shotgun smaller than 20 gauge when loaded with shot or any shotgun loaded with shot smaller than SG or number 1 buck cannot be used for hunting bear, deer or moose.

You may not use any arrow (bow) or bolt (crossbow) that is not equipped with a head that has at least two sharp, unse-

rated, barbless, steel, straight-cutting edges or a head that is less than 22 mm (0.9 in.) at the widest point or any arrow (does not include bolt) that is less than 60 cm (24 in.) in length, for hunting bear, deer or moose. There is no minimum length for a crossbow bolt.

You may not use a crossbow that has a draw length less than 30 cm (12 in.) when hunting deer, moose or bear.

You may not use a crossbow that has a draw weight less than 45 kg (99 lb.) when hunting deer or less than 54 kg (119 lb.) when hunting moose or bear.

You may not use a bow (including compound and recurve bows) that has a draw weight less than 18 kg (40 lb.) when hunting deer or less than 22 kg (49 lb.) when hunting moose and bear at the draw length of 70 cm (28 in.) or less.

Dogs

You must licence any dogs to be used to hunt deer or moose. There is no limit on the number of dogs that may be licensed and used. In the closed season, dogs may not run at large in an area inhabited by deer, moose, elk or bear.

You must have a letter of authority issued from your local MNR office to conduct dog training and field trails on game animals and game birds during the closed season or an appropriate hunting licence during the open season.

In order to hunt raccoon at night, you must be accompanied by a dog licensed for raccoon hunting and you must have a resident's tag to hunt raccoon at night.

For a dog coming into Canada from the United States, you must have a certificate, signed by a veterinarian licensed in Canada or in the United States, stating that the dog has been vaccinated against rabies during the preceding 36 months. The certificate must have a reasonably complete and a legible description of the dog and the date of the vaccination. For more information, check with Canada Customs.

Dogs may be brought into Ontario without security if you list them as part of the Tourist Outfitter's and sportsmen's equipment when completing the necessary customs forms.

Snares

Snares cannot be used by licensed hunters, except for taking rabbits north of the French and Mattawa rivers and with a snare as described in the Regulations.

Poison

Poison cannot be used for taking wild animals.

Use of Vehicles or Vessels

Aircraft, snowmobiles, vehicles or vessels may not be used for chasing, pursuing, worrying, molesting, killing, injuring or destroying any animal or bird.

It is illegal to have a loaded firearm in or on, or discharge a firearm from, an aircraft, vehicle (including snowmobile and all terrain vehicle) or boat with any size motor attached or anything towed by the boat.

New Firearm Legislation

New Federal legislation may affect you as a hunter or as a firearm owner. For further information, please contact the number below.

Canada's Firearms Act

How will the regulations affect me?

For general information, call
1-800-731-4000

or visit our Internet site: <http://canada.justice.gc.ca>



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Centre

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Department of Justice
Canada

Ministre de la Justice
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Trespassing

A hunting licence does not give hunters the right to enter private lands. Ask for permission and obey signs. Note: Red markings of at least 10 cm (4 in.) in diameter mean entry is prohibited.

Be sure you are familiar with the Occupiers' Liability Act R.S.O. 1990, c. O.2 and the Trespass to Property Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. T.21 before entering private land. You may obtain a booklet that explains the two Acts and outlines the rights of landowners and hunters from the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General.

You will also be violating the Game and Fish Act if the landowner asks you to leave and you do not do so immediately, or if you do not obey signs prohibiting hunting and fishing.

If you are hunting in a party of more than 12, you may not hunt upon any enclosed or unenclosed lands in any county or regional municipality without permission of the landowner.

Before hunting on Indian reserves, ask the permission of the Band Council.

If you wish to hunt deer on Barrie Island or Manitoulin Island, you must have with you a valid deer licence and the written consent of the landowner on the form provided by MNR.

Crown Lands

In Ontario, travel for recreational purposes on Crown lands and waters is generally free and unrestricted. Some Crown lands, however, have restricted travel zones for forest fire prevention, officially closed forest access roads and areas posted with signs to prohibit all or certain kinds of travel. Non-residents, except those using the services of a commercial outfitter, require a permit to camp on Crown lands north of the French and Mattawa rivers. Contact your local MNR office or licence issuer for permits.

Note: Some Crown lands may be posted against hunting and possession of firearms to protect forest workers or other resource users. Check with the local MNR office for details.

Game Preserves

Except where stated in the Regulations, you may not hunt or trap, or use or possess firearms in Crown Game Preserves. You may possess firearms if you live on private lands or Crown land held under a licence within a Crown Game Preserve, but you may not hunt or trap. There are Crown Game Preserves other than those shown on the maps. Check with your local MNR office for more details.

Provincial Parks

You may not hunt (or take) any animals or birds, amphibians and reptiles, inclusive, in provincial parks, or have a firearm with you, unless otherwise provided in the Regulations. Check with your local MNR office or the Regulations for more details and for special permit requirements for hunting in Clyde, Bruton and Eyre townships (WMU 54).

Wildlife Management Areas - Wildlife Extension Landowner Agreement Area / Provincial Wildlife Area

There are 34 Provincial Wildlife and Wildlife Extension Landowner Agreement Areas in southern Ontario which provide hunting. Some areas have daily or seasonal licence fees, while others may be used free of charge. Some areas are only open on certain days of the week and for special hours and species. Detailed information on each area can be obtained from MNR offices. See pages 11 and 13 for listings.

Hunting on Sunday

You may not carry or discharge a firearm except bows or crossbows on Sunday to hunt in:

- any county except the County of Renfrew (except the Township of Raglan), the County of Prescott and Russell, and the Township of Haldimand in the County of Northumberland;
- any regional municipality lying south of the French and Mattawa rivers;
- the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto; or
- the territorial districts of Muskoka, and Parry Sound and that part of the Territorial District of Nipissing comprising the geographic townships of Boulter and Chisholm and the parts of the geographic townships of Ballantyne, Butt, Finlayson, McCraney and Paxton lying west of the western boundary of Algonquin Provincial Park.

Note: The above does not apply to hunting on a licensed game bird hunting preserve.

Guides

You may not act as a guide in the Territorial District of Rainy River and Lake St. Clair unless you have a valid guide's licence. A non-resident cannot be a guide and cannot obtain this licence.

Non-residents must be accompanied by one licensed guide for each two hunters when hunting deer or moose in the Territorial District of Rainy River.

Officers

If an Officer has reasonable grounds for believing that game or fish were taken, shipped or possessed contrary to the Game and Fish Act and Regulations, the Migratory Birds Convention Act and Regulations, or the Ontario Fishery Regulations, that Officer may do the following:

- stop, enter and search any aircraft, vehicle or vessel;
- enter and search any fishing, hunting, mining, lumber, or construction camp or any office of any common carrier, or any premises where pelts are bought or sold; and
- open and inspect any trunk, box, bag, parcel or receptacle.

An Officer has the authority to stop a vehicle or vessel to request information about hunting and fishing.

Endangered Species

The Endangered Species Act protects 24 species and their habitats. These are: Small White Lady's-slipper Orchid, Small Whorled Pogonia, Large Whorled Pogonia, Cucumber Tree, Prickly Pear Cactus, Heart-leaved Plantain, Frosted Elf, Karner Blue Butterfly, Lake Erie Water Snake, Blue Racer, Timber Rattlesnake, White Pelican, Bald Eagle, Golden Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Piping Plover, Eskimo Curlew, Kirtland's Warbler, Mountain Lion, Loggerhead Shrike, Blanchard's Cricket Frog, Henslow's Sparrow, Wood Poppy and Hoary Mountain Mint.

Anyone who interferes with, injures or kills an endangered species or destroys the habitat of an endangered species is liable to a fine of up to \$50,000 or two years imprisonment—or both. Contact your local MNR office for more information about endangered species.

Illegal Killing of Birds of Prey

In Ontario, it is illegal to kill birds of prey (hawks, owls, eagles, falcons and vultures), except in defence of one's own property. Of special concern, is the protection of three endangered species: the Peregrine Falcon, Bald Eagle and Golden Eagle. These birds of prey are among the 24 species of animals and plants protected by regulations under Ontario's Endangered Species Act. Killing, injuring, interfering with or taking officially protected endangered species is prohibited by the Act. The maximum penalty for violating the Endangered Species Act is \$50,000 and/or two years' imprisonment.

Considerable effort is being made to protect birds of prey in Ontario. For endangered species, such as the Peregrine Falcon, release programs are essential for the re-establishment of breeding pairs of wild, adult birds. Every year since 1977, young eastern Peregrine Falcons have been released to the wild in Ontario to restore a population that had declined, almost to the point of extinction, as a result of DDT poisoning. The continued existence of this magnificent bird of prey in Ontario depends upon the survival of those birds that are present in the wild.

In order to avoid accidentally killing birds of prey, you must make every effort to clearly identify your prey before shooting. Historically, the killing of birds of prey was founded in old prejudices that label some species as "bad" because they are predators. However, predators such as our birds of prey play an important role in nature. They are part of our natural heritage to be conserved for future generations, and the law protects them. The ministry is interested in receiving information about any illegal acts involving birds of prey.

Elk and Caribou

There is no open season for elk or caribou in Ontario.

Game Meat and Parts

You may not let the flesh of any animal or bird be destroyed or spoiled, which is suitable for food. This includes black bear.

It is illegal to buy, sell or barter any game animal or game bird or their parts, except under the authority of a licence and as permitted by the regulations. Some propagated game birds may be sold under a

licence. No licence is required to purchase this meat. Also, for your own use only and without a licence, you may buy or possess meat sold under the authority of a Licence to Sell the Meat of Muskrat, Beaver, Raccoon or Bear.

The untanned or untreated hide of black bear, with the head and claws attached, and the hide of a deer or moose, without the head attached, and the cast antlers of caribou, deer and moose may be sold under the authority of a black bear, deer or moose hunting licence to licensed dealers in hides and cast antlers or to holders of licences to purchase these parts for personal use.

The above regulations for black bear now apply not only to Ontario bears but also to bears imported into Ontario from outside the Province.

Accidentally Killed Animals

You may possess road kills and animals, including birds (other than migratory birds), found dead by natural or other accidental causes. In the case of black bear, moose and deer, you must report such finds to a MNR office immediately. For eagle, falcon, hawk, owl, vulture or furbearer, you must make the report within two working days from when you got it. In addition, anyone who acquires an eagle, falcon, hawk, owl or vulture must take the carcass to the MNR office for inspection within five working days of the acquisition. To possess a furbearer or its pelt, you need a licence issued by the MNR office. For Migratory Birds, contact the Canadian Wildlife Service, in Guelph at 519-826-2100.

Export and Shipping

Residents and non-residents may export from Ontario game birds and most game animals legally killed under the appropriate licence, if you produce a valid hunting licence for those species.

GAME CHECK STATIONS

Throughout the hunting season, Officers will be operating random "Game Check Stations" under the authority of the Game and Fish Act. These check stations protect and manage our wildlife resource and help the ministry obtain information about wildlife harvested by hunters.

You must have an Ontario export permit to export moose, deer and bear or any part thereof from Ontario. You may obtain an export permit from most MNR offices in the area where the animals have been taken. You should obtain all necessary export permits before reaching a border point to avoid any inconvenience.

You need a CITES permit to export timber wolf, black bear or a variety of other fish or wildlife species from Canada.

For export of furbearing animals taken under a small game licence, see Furbearing Animals, page 28.

A non-resident must pay for an export permit. (See 1998 Licence and Tag Information, page 5, for export permit fees.) Export permits are free for residents. Export permits have sub-permits attached to them for exporting a part or parts of the animal for which an export permit has been issued. You may use up to three sub-permits for this purpose. Receptacles containing game that are being shipped or transported to points inside or outside Ontario must have the names and addresses of the sender and receiver, and a list of the contents written on the outside.

When transporting migratory birds, a fully feathered wing must be attached until the bird is prepared for immediate consumption.

Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) is an international agreement which regulates trade in a number of species of animals and plants, their parts and derivatives, and any articles made from them. You need a CITES permit to export timber wolf, black bear or a variety of other species from Canada. As applicants for CITES export permits must be Canadian citizens, non-residents must have a resident apply on their behalf. CITES permits are currently available free of charge from most MNR offices. Non-resident bear hunters can most conveniently obtain their CITES export permit through the outfitter they are hunting with. CITES permits are not normally available near border crossings and consequently hunters are advised to obtain any required permits from a source closest to where they are hunting. In some countries, importation of timber wolves is restricted; requirements for importation should be determined by the exporter. In some instances such as with black bear, both a CITES and a Provincial export permit are required.

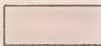
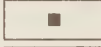

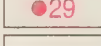
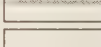

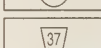
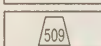


MAP 1

WMU BOUNDARIES

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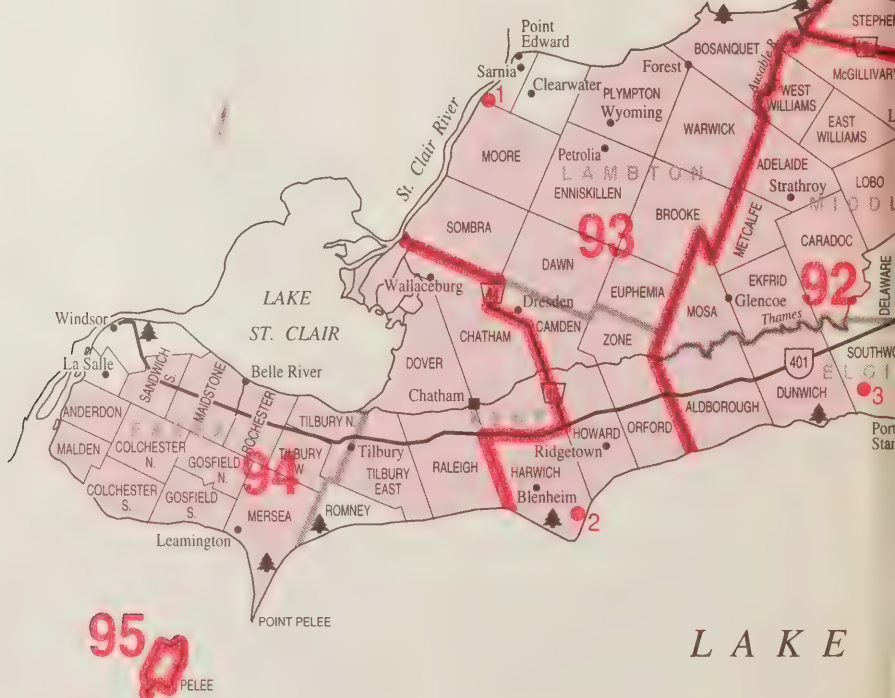
LEGEND

	Township licence required to hunt pheasant and rabbit.
	MNR District or Area Office.
	Provincial or National Park.
	Wildlife Management Area.
	County or District Boundary.
	International or Interprovincial Boundary.
	Major Provincial Highway.
	Secondary Highway.
	County or Regional Road.
	WMU Boundary and Number.

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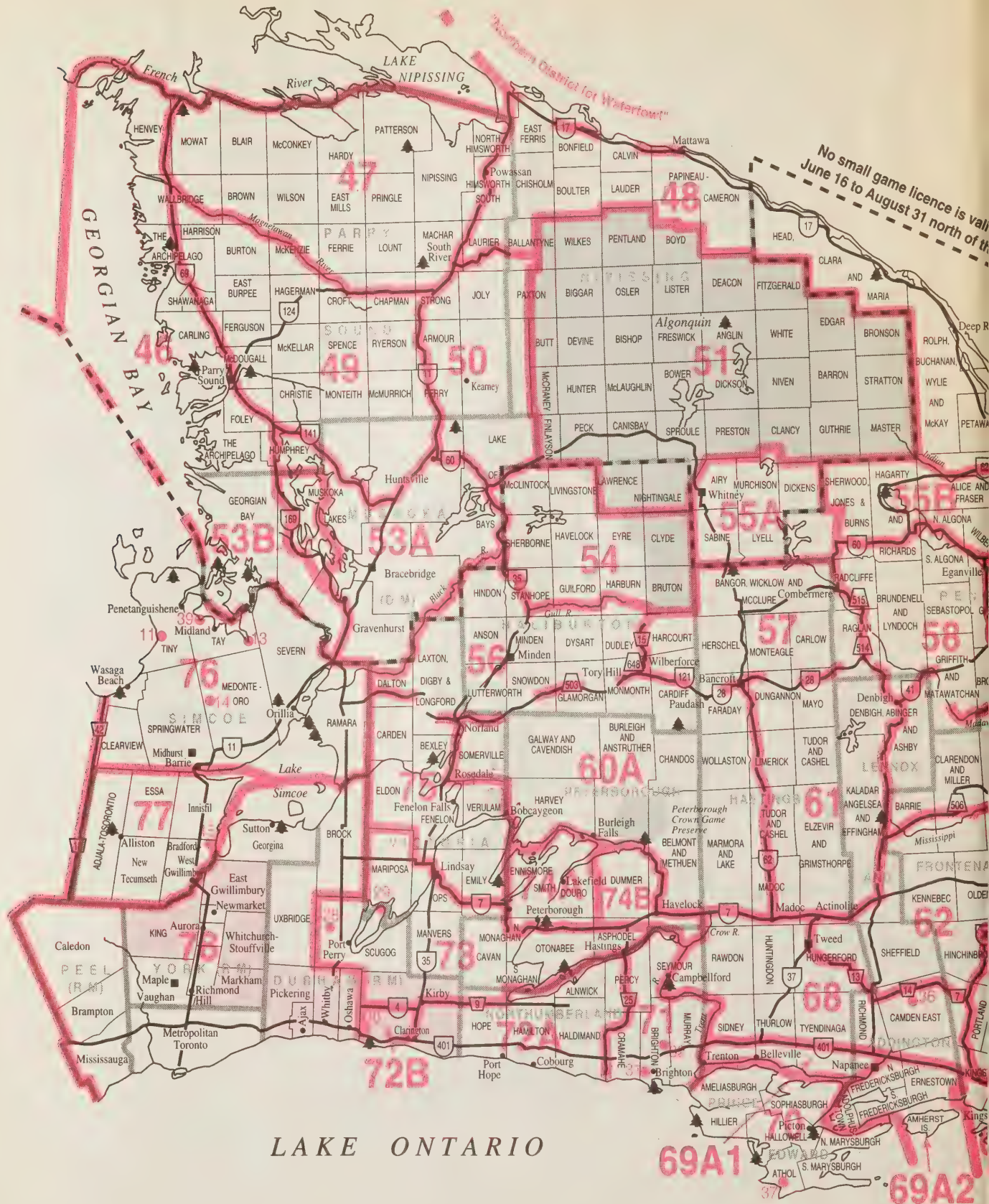
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

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1. Stag Island (WMU 93)
2. Rondeau (Provincial Park) (WMU 93)
3. Fingal (WMU 92)
4. Aylmer (WMU 92)
5. Calton Swamp (WMU 92)
6. Vansittart Woods (WMU 91)
7. Lockhart Ponds (WMU 91)
8. Long Point (WMU 90)
9. Waterford Lakes (WMU 90)
10. Hullet (WMU 85)
17. Luther Marsh (WMU 80)
18. Orangeville (WMU 81)
21. Rankin (WMU 83)
22. Puslinch (WMU 87)
23. Beverly Swamp (WMU 87)
24. Valens Lake (WMU 87)
25. Binbrook (WMU 87)
26. Mud Lake (WMU 89)
27. Willoughby Swamp (WMU 89)
38. Pine River Provincial Fishing Area (WMU 81)



MAP 2



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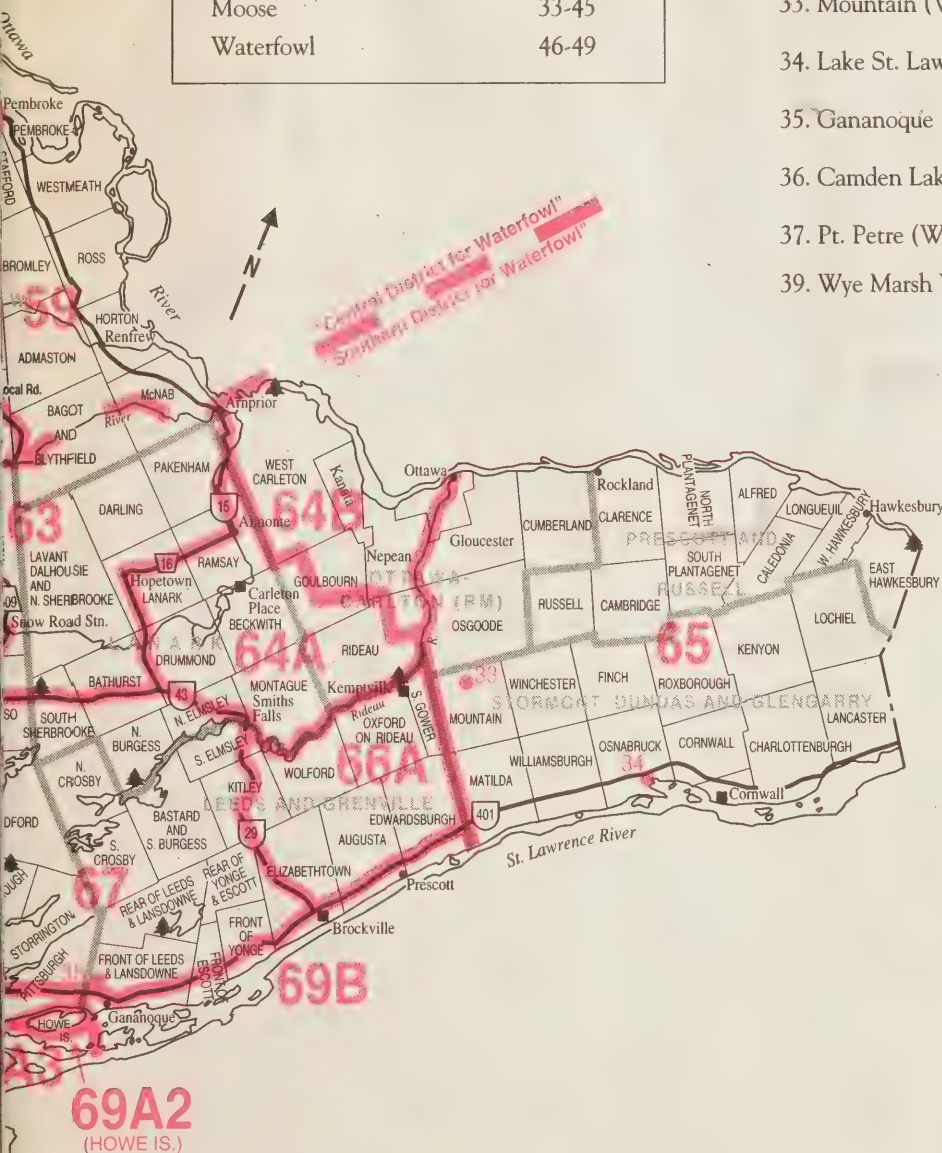
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11. Tiny Marsh (WMU 76)
13. Matchedash Bay (WMU 76)
14. Copeland Forest Resources Management Area (WMU 76)
15. Holland Marsh (WMU 77)
28. Nonquon (WMU 73)
29. Scugog Island (WMU 73)
30. Darlington (Provincial Park) (WMU 72)
31. Presqu'ile (Provincial Park) (WMU 71)
32. Brighton (WMU 71)
33. Mountain (WMU 65)
34. Lake St. Lawrence (WMU 65)
35. Gananoque (WMU 67)
36. Camden Lake (WMU 68)
37. Pt. Petre (WMU 70)
39. Wye Marsh Wildlife Management Unit (WMU 76)



LEGEND

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- WMU Boundary and Number.



MAP 3

WMU BOUNDARIES

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BIRD SEASONS

You may hunt and possess wild turkey, pheasant, ruffed grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, spruce grouse, ptarmigan, Hungarian partridge and bobwhite quail. Check the Open Season Tables for bag and possession limits and time. The Migratory Birds Convention Act and the regulations govern hunting of migratory game birds. It is illegal to hunt migratory birds within 400 m (437 yd.) of where bait has been deposited unless that place has been free of bait for at least seven days. You must have a Migratory Game Bird Hunting Permit and

a Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp, as well as an Ontario licence to hunt small game, to take migratory game birds. See page 48 for Waterfowl Seasons. You require a special licence to hunt wild turkey.

Protected Birds

You may only take birds mentioned in the tables, as well as crows, cowbirds, blackbirds, starlings and house sparrows. You must not shoot falcons, eagles, hawks or owls, or interfere with the eggs and nests of game birds. See also Endangered Species, page 8.

Game Bird Hunting Preserves

You may hunt pheasant, bobwhite quail and wild turkey throughout the year on game bird hunting preserves. You must arrange with the owner as to when you can hunt. You will also need a licence to hunt small game when hunting on a preserve.

A non-resident hunter needs a non-resident tag to hunt game birds on a game bird hunting preserve. This tag may be either a non-resident's tag to hunt game birds on a game bird hunting preserve or a non-resident's tag to hunt small game.

PHEASANT

TOWNSHIP LICENCES - A township licence is required in addition to a provincial licence for hunting pheasants in a regulated township (see maps). Contact the municipal clerk for issuance of township licences and information on firearm restrictions. Hunting of pheasants with a rifle is prohibited.

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Hours
2-41, 45	Sept. 15 to Dec. 15	3 of either sex	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset
42-44, 46-50, 53-59, 61-67, 69B	Sept. 19 to Dec. 15	3 of either sex	
60A, 68, 69A, 70-77, 81-86	Sept. 25 to Dec. 15	3 of either sex	
78	Oct. 14 to Dec. 15	3 of either sex	8 a.m. to 1/2 hour after sunset
88	Oct. 28 to Nov. 7	3 cocks	
79, 80, 87	Oct. 21 to Dec. 15	3, one hen limit	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset
89, 90, 91, 92	Oct. 21 to Dec. 15	3 of either sex	
93	Oct. 28 to Dec. 15	3, one hen limit	
94	Oct. 28 to Oct. 31	2 cocks	
95	Oct. 22, 23, 29, 30 & Nov. 5, 6	Daily & Possession Limit 10 of either sex	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
	Jan. 1 to Feb. 28	5 of either sex	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE AND PTARMIGAN

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
1	Sept. 5 to Mar. 31	For all WMUs: 5 sharp-tailed grouse and 5 ptarmigan	For all WMUs: 15 sharp-tailed grouse and 15 ptarmigan
2-16, 19-21, 32-39, 41, 45	Sept. 15 to Dec. 15		
17, 18, 22-31, 40	Sept. 15 to Mar. 31		
42-44, 46-50, 53-59	Sept. 19 to Dec. 15		
61-67, 69B	Sept. 19 to Dec. 31		
60A, 68, 69A, 70, 71	Sept. 25 to Dec. 31		

BOBWHITE QUAIL

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
65	Sept. 19 to Dec. 15	3	6

RUFFED GROUSE AND SPRUCE GROUSE

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
1	Sept. 5 to Dec. 31	For all WMUs: combined total of 5	For all WMUs: combined total of 15
2-21, 32-41, 45	Sept. 15 to Dec. 15		
22-31	Sept. 15 to Dec. 31		
42, 43, 44, 46-50, 53-59	Sept. 19 to Dec. 15		
61-67, 69B	Sept. 19 to Dec. 31		
60A, 68, 69A, 70, 71	Sept. 25 to Dec. 31		
72-92	Sept. 25 to Jan. 15		
93	Oct. 28 to Jan. 15		

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
13	Sept. 15 to Nov. 14	8	16
55-59, 61-67, 69B	Sept. 19 to Nov. 14	8	16
60A, 68, 69A, 70-75, 88, 89	Sept. 25 to Nov. 14	8	16
76	Oct. 17 to Oct. 23	8	16
87, 90	Oct. 21 to Dec. 15	8	16

Wild Turkey

The Ministry of Natural Resources has introduced a new telephone application system that will allow a hunter to purchase a wild turkey licence conveniently by phone.

Starting March 2, 1998, hunters can call the Ministry of Natural Resources Electronic Licensing Line at 1-800-288-1155 to apply for a wild turkey licence. Hours of operation are from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m., seven days a week, until April 30, 1998.

To use this system, you will need your Outdoors Card number, a valid credit card and either a Touch-Tone or rotary dial telephone. When you call, recorded instructions will take you through the simple procedure. You will be asked to enter the requested information using your telephone's key pad or dial. Please note, the system does not accept verbal information.

Following your application, a wild turkey licence with game seal will be mailed to your address the next business day. Please allow seven business days for delivery.

Hunters may still purchase wild turkey licences in person at some MNR offices. Please check with your local MNR office to see if it offers this service.

You must take a Wild Turkey Hunter Education Seminar, sponsored by the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, and you must pass an examination given by the Ministry of Natural Resources to be eligible for a wild turkey licence.

To hunt wild turkey you must have a wild turkey licence. You may purchase a licence by using the MNR Electronic Licensing Line or by filling out an application form at selected MNR offices in an area with a wild turkey hunt.

You may only hunt bearded turkeys. (These are usually male, but can sometimes be female.) After you have bagged a bird, you may not shoot a second bird. You may, however, call turkeys for another hunter.

You may only hunt using shotguns (including muzzle-loading shotguns) and archery equipment. Shotguns must be no larger than 10 gauge and not smaller than 20 gauge loaded with shot sizes 4, 5 or 6. You may use bows or crossbows — they must conform to the same regulations as for deer hunting. A seal comes with the wild turkey licence. Immediately after you take the wild turkey, you must fill out the seal and attach it to the bird's leg. Take the carcass (intact) of the wild turkey to a designated check station between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the day of the kill.

For more information contact the MNR office in the area of the hunt.

WILD TURKEY* 1998

WMU(s)	Open Season	Bag Limit	Hours
68, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 81, 87B, 87C, 87D, 88, 89, 90, 91B, 92A, 92B, 92C, 92D, 93A	residents and non-residents Apr. 27 to May 15, 1998	1 wild turkey with a beard	1/2 hour before sunrise to 12:00 p.m.

* An Outdoors Card with a small game licence tag attached must be carried with a Wild Turkey Licence.
Wild Turkey Open Season in 1999: April 26 to May 21, 1999.

BLACK BEAR SEASONS AND OTHER REGULATIONS

You may not take or kill more than one black bear under a licence to hunt black bear. Once you have killed a bear, you must immediately attach the game seal to the carcass as described on the seal. The seal must be attached while transporting the carcass.

During the spring bear season, you may not shoot cubs born in the year of the hunt or females accompanied by such cubs. The use of dogs to hunt black bear in the spring season is restricted in most parts of Ontario. (See the table for black bear.)

You may not shoot bears on Crown land within 400 m (437 yd.) of a waste disposal site. You may not shoot black bears in their dens.

Non-residents

You must obtain a Black Bear Hunting Licence Validation Certificate to validate a non-resident black bear hunting licence. You may obtain this certificate from an authorized tourist operator (operator of a tourist establishment, guide or air carrier) who provides black bear guiding or baiting services and accommodation.

If you are hunting with an immediate relative who is an Ontario resident licensed to hunt bear, or if you are an owner of property in a Wildlife Management Unit that has an open bear season for non-resi-

dents, you can apply for this certificate at a MNR office in the area of the hunt. Where a property is owned by more than one person or by a corporation, only one certificate will be issued. See also 1998 Licence and Tag Information, page 5.

Black Bear Management Areas

A non-resident hunter using the hunting services of a bear operator must hunt on the Black Bear Management Areas (BMAs) assigned to the operator, and/or on private land the operator has obtained permission for his/her clients to hunt on (except on private land located within a BMA assigned to another bear operator). Resident hunters are not restricted to BMAs and may hunt anywhere on Crown land, or on private land with the owner's permission.

BLACK BEAR

WMU(s)	Resident - Open Season	Non-resident - Open Season	Conditions (Restrictions)
Rifles, Shotguns, Bows and Muzzle-loaders			
1, 11A, 11B, 12-19 incl., 21-45 incl.	Sept. 1 to Oct. 15	Sept. 1 to Oct. 15	
2-6 incl., 7B, 8-10 incl.	Sept. 1 to Oct. 31	Sept. 1 to Oct. 31	
7A	Sept. 1 to Oct. 31	Sept. 1 to Oct. 31	Bows and muzzle-loaders only
46, 47, 49, 50, 53, 64, 66-67 incl., 69-76 incl., 83	Sept. 15 to Nov. 30	Sept. 15 to Nov. 30	
48, 54-59 incl., 60A, 61, 62, 63, 68	Sept. 1 to Nov. 30	Sept. 1 to Nov. 30	
1-50 incl. (excluding 7A, 25, 26), 53-60 incl., 76	Apr. 15 to May 15	Apr. 15 to May 15	
	May 16 to June 15	May 16 to June 15	No dogs
7A	Apr. 15 to May 15	Apr. 15 to May 15	Bows and muzzle-loaders only
	May 16 to June 15	May 16 to June 15	Bows and muzzle-loaders only; no dogs
25, 26	Apr. 15 to May 15	Apr. 15 to May 15	
	May 16 to June 30	May 16 to June 30	No dogs
61-64, 66-75, 83	Apr. 15 to June 15	Apr. 15 to June 15	
		May 16 to June 15	No dogs

HELP THE MINISTRY COLLECT HARVEST INFORMATION

The Ministry of Natural Resources will generally not be collecting moose and deer jaws in 1998 as most areas no longer require this information on a continuous basis to meet management needs. However, MNR continues to require black bear teeth from all WMUs. **PLEASE** contact the MNR office where you plan to hunt or where you plan to turn in the bear teeth **BEFORE** you go hunting. They can provide details about locations, dates and times that any local collection centres will be operating. Also they can advise you whether they are collecting moose and deer jaws for local management needs.

You will receive a bear crest in exchange for harvest information and the two premolar teeth from your bear. Please be prepared to provide your hunting licence number, location and date the animal was taken. It's appreciated if you turn in the teeth to **DESIGNATED** collection centres **IN THE AREA WHERE THE ANIMALS WERE HARVESTED.**

DEER SEASONS AND OTHER REGULATIONS

The harvest of deer in most areas is regulated by a selective harvest program which places a quota on antlerless deer.

Licence Validity

You may only take antlered deer (having at least one antler 7.5 cm [3 in.] or longer), with your deer licence, unless you have an antlerless deer validation tag, for the appropriate Wildlife Management Unit (WMU), fixed to the game seal. There is a computerized random draw for each WMU. Tags are issued to residents

of Ontario only. Archery hunters wishing to hunt antlerless deer in WMUs with bows only seasons must also apply to the draw. Do not apply for an antlerless deer validation tag in a WMU with a controlled hunt unless you intend on hunting during the bow season only. Antlerless deer validation tags are valid during muzzle-loading seasons.

Party Hunting for Deer

(see Glossary, page 50)

Party hunting for deer is allowed.

The number of antlered deer taken by a hunting party (two or more licensed hunters) must not be any more than the

number of valid licences with seals, held by the members of the party. For example, a party of three can take no more than three antlered deer. Any member of the party may take them.

A party member may shoot an antlerless deer for which another party member has a validation tag. The party cannot shoot more antlerless deer than they have validation tags to cover.

Immediately after a kill, the member of your party who has the appropriate validation tag must get together with the shooter so that the tag holder can attach the game seal. At this point, party members at the kill site must determine the category of animals that may still be hunted.

DEER HUNTS WITH CONTROLLED HUNTER NUMBERS*

No Dogs

WMU(s) **	Resident - Open Season	Non-resident - Open Season	Conditions (Restrictions Only)
53B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 5	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
69A2, 70	Nov. 30 to Dec. 5	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
76A	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6 Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	No Season	Rifles, shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
76B, 76C, 76D***	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6 Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
76E	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6 Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	No Season	Muzzle-loading guns only
79A, 80, 87B, 87C, 87D, 89A, 89B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
79C, 79D	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
77A, 77B, 77C, 78A, 78B, 81A, 81B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6 Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
85A, 85B, 85C, 91A, 91B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7 Nov. 30 to Dec. 5	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
86A, 86B	Nov. 30 to Dec. 5	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
90A, 90B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7 Nov. 30 to Dec. 5 Dec. 7 to Dec. 12	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
92A, 92B, 92C, 92D	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7 Nov. 30 to Dec. 5 Dec. 7 to Dec. 12	No Season	Muzzle-loading guns only
93A, 93B	Nov. 30 to Dec. 5	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
93C	Contact Chatham Area Office for Season Dates details	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
94B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 3	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only

* Licence must be validated; deer hunters should contact appropriate District/Area Office for further details.

** Detailed information and maps are available from the Districts/Areas listed below:

53B Bracebridge Office, Bracebridge
69A, 70 Kingston Office, Kingston
76, 77, 81 Midhurst Office, Midhurst
78, 79 GTA, Aurora Office, Aurora

80, 87 Guelph Office, Guelph
85, 86 Clinton Office, Clinton
89 Niagara Office, Vineland
90, 91, 92 Aylmer Office, Aylmer

93 Chatham Office, Chatham

*** Tags for the December hunt in Wildlife Management Units 76A, 76B, 76C, 76D and 76E are for antlered deer only.

You must then make sure your other party members, who did not come to the kill site, are informed. The hunter in your party who killed the animal and the hunter who attached the game seal may continue hunting, provided other members of your party still possess game seals.

If you have questions about party hunting, the best time to get answers is before

the hunt. Contact a MNR office in the district in which you will be hunting.

Transporting Deer

You must keep the game seal attached to the deer while you are transporting it. If you are transporting part of a deer, be prepared to state the name of the hunter

who sealed the animal, the hunting licence number under which the animal was claimed and the WMU in which the animal was taken, if requested to do so by an Officer.

NOTE: You may not hunt deer while they are swimming.

DEER SEASONS - Rifles, Shotguns, Bows^a, and Muzzle-loaders^b

WMU(s)	Resident - Open Season	Non-resident - Open Season	Conditions (Restrictions Only)
5	Oct. 17 to Oct. 30	No Season	Bows, muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
5	Oct. 31 to Dec. 15	No Season	No dogs
6, 7B, 9A, 9B	Oct. 3 to Oct. 9	Oct. 3 to Oct. 9	Non-Resident Guide Requirement in part of 7B and all of 9B; bows and muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
6, 7B, 9A, 9B, 11A	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	Oct. 10 to Nov. 15	Non-Resident Guide Requirement in part of 7B and all of 9B, 11A
7A	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	Oct. 10 to Nov. 15	Bows and muzzle-loading guns only
8	Oct. 17 to Oct. 23	Oct. 17 to Oct. 23	Bows, muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
8	Oct. 31 to Dec. 15	Oct. 31 to Dec. 15	No dogs
10	Oct. 31 to Dec. 15	Nov. 1 to Nov. 15	Non-Resident Guide Requirement; no dogs
11A	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9	Non-Resident Guide Requirement; bows and muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
11B, 12A, 12B, 13, 14, 21A	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	No Season	
28	Nov. 2 to Nov. 5	No Season	Deer hunt only in PART of WMU; no dogs; contact Kirkland Lake District Office for details
36, 37, 38, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 53A, 54, 55A, 55B, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60A, 61, 62, 63, 74B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 14	Nov. 2 to Nov. 14	
39, 41, 42	Nov. 2 to Nov. 14	No Season	
43A, 43B	Nov. 16 to Nov. 20	Nov. 16 to Nov. 20	Landowners permission required; Burpee Twp. is in 43B; no dogs
44	Nov. 2 to Nov. 14	No Season	No dogs
45	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6	No dogs
64A, 66A, 67, 68	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	
64B, 69B, 74A	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Bows, shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only
65	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Bows, shotguns, muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
71	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	No Season	Shotguns only; no dogs
72A, 73, 75	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	No Season	Shotguns and muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
82A, 82B, 83A, 84	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6	Nov. 2 to Nov. 6	No dogs
82A, 82B, 83A, 84	Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	Nov. 30 to Dec. 4	Muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs
82B	Nov. 16 to Nov. 20	Nov. 16 to Nov. 20	Muzzle-loading guns only; no dogs

^a Bows include longbows, crossbows and compound bows

^b Muzzle-loading guns include flintlock and percussion cap muzzle-loading rifles

DEER ARCHERY SEASONS

No Dogs

WMU(s)	Resident - Open Season	Non-resident - Open Season	Use these WMU numbers when applying for antlerless deer validation tags
5	Oct. 3 to Oct. 16	No Season	5
6, 7B, 9A, 9B*	Sept. 19 to Oct. 2	Sept. 19 to Oct. 2	6, 7B, 9A, 9B
8	Oct. 3 to Oct. 16	Oct. 3 to Oct. 16	8
10**	Oct. 3 to Oct. 30	Oct. 3 to Oct. 30	10
13, 14, 21A	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9	No Season	13, 14, 21A
37	Oct. 17 to Nov. 1	Oct. 17 to Nov. 1	37
42	Oct. 3 to Oct. 30	Oct. 3 to Oct. 30	42
43A, 43B***	Oct. 3 to Nov. 13	Oct. 3 to Nov. 13	43A, 43B (Burpee Twp. in 43B)
45	Oct. 24 to Oct. 30 Nov. 9 to Nov. 14	Oct. 24 to Oct. 30 Nov. 9 to Nov. 14	45
47	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 16 to Dec. 5	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 16 to Dec. 5	47
46, 48, 49, 50, 53A, 56, 57, 60A	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1	46, 48, 49, 50, 53A, 56, 57, 60A
55A	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Dec. 20	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Dec. 20	55A
55B	Dec. 1 to Dec. 15	No Season	55B
58, 59	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Nov. 30	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Nov. 30	58, 59
61, 62, 63, 74B	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Dec. 15	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 15 to Dec. 15	61, 62, 63, 74B
64A, 64B, 65, 66A, 67	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Dec. 15	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Dec. 15	64A, 64B, 65, 66A, 67
66B	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	Nov. 2 to Nov. 7	66B (G.H. Ferguson Nursery in Oxford Twp.)
68, 69B, 71, 72A, 73, 74A, 75	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Dec. 31	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Dec. 31	68, 69B, 71, 72A, 73, 74A, 75
69A1, 69A3, 72B	Oct. 15 to Dec. 31	Oct. 15 to Dec. 31	69A, 72B
69A2, 70	Oct. 15 to Nov. 29 Dec. 6 to Dec. 31	Oct. 15 to Nov. 29 Dec. 6 to Dec. 31	69A, 70
76A, 76B, 76C, 76D, 76E, 77A, 77B, 77C, 81A, 81B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Nov. 29 Dec. 12 to Dec. 15	No Season	76, 77, 81
78A, 78B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Nov. 29 Dec. 12 to Dec. 31	No Season	78
78C, 78D, 78E, 79B, 87A, 87E, 88, 94A	Oct. 1 to Dec. 31	No Season	78, 79, 87, 88, 94
79A, 80A, 80B, 87B, 87C, 87D, 89A, 89B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Dec. 31	No Season	79, 80, 87, 89
79C, 79D	Oct. 15 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Dec. 31	No Season	79
82A, 84	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Nov. 29 Dec. 12 to Dec. 31	No Season	82A, 84
82B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Nov. 15 Nov. 21 to Dec. 6 Dec. 12 to Dec. 31	No Season	82B
83A	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 7 to Nov. 29 Dec. 12 to Dec. 15	No Season	83A

ARCHERY SEASONS - DEER (cont'd)

WMU(s)	Resident - Open Season	Non-resident - Open Season	Use these WMU numbers when applying for antlerless deer validation tags
85A, 85B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Nov. 29 Dec. 6 to Dec. 31	No Season	85
86A, 86B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 29 Dec. 13 to Dec. 31	No Season	86
90A, 90B, 92A, 92B, 92C, 92D	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Nov. 29 Dec. 13 to Dec. 31	No Season	90, 92
91A, 91B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 8 to Nov. 29 Dec. 13 to Dec. 31	No Season	91
93A, 93B	Oct. 1 to Nov. 29 Dec. 13 to Dec. 31	No Season	93
93C	Contact Chatham Area Office for Season Dates details	No Season	93
94	Oct. 1 to Nov. 1 Nov. 4 to Dec. 31	No Season	94

* Non-resident Guide Requirement in part of 7B and all of 9B

** Non-resident Guide Requirement

*** Landowner's Permission Requirement

ATTENTION HUNTERS

If you legally kill any animal that is carrying ear tags, a radio collar or any other marking or scientific device, please report the details as soon as possible to the local MNR office. Hunters will NOT be penalized in any way for legally harvesting such an animal. The information that you supply by returning the devices will contribute to the collection of valuable information on the animals being studied and is much appreciated.

WHICH DEER DRAW ARE YOU APPLYING TO?

The Antlerless Deer Validation Tag Draw

The harvest of deer in most areas is regulated by a selective harvest program which places a quota on the number of antlerless deer that may be harvested. Antlerless Deer Validation Tags are valid during the open season for deer in both the archery and rifle seasons (see dates on pages 20 and 21). There is a computerized random draw for each WMU. Tags are issued to residents in Ontario only. Archery hunters wishing to hunt antlerless deer in WMUs with bows only seasons must apply to this draw. Do not apply for an antlerless deer validation tag in a WMU with a controlled hunt unless you intend on hunting during the bow season.

Hunters who are unsuccessful in the antlerless deer draw may still party hunt or take antlered deer (having at least one antler 7.5 cm [3 in.] or longer), with your deer licence, in the open archery or rifle deer seasons but not during the controlled deer hunt seasons (see seasons dates). You may only take antlerless deer if you have an antlerless deer validation tag, for the right Wildlife Management Unit (WMU), affixed to your game seal.

OR

The Controlled Deer Hunt Validation Tag Draw

Controlled deer hunts for the most part, take place in the agricultural lands of southern and southwestern Ontario. These hunts restrict the number of hunters who may participate in them. Controlled Deer Hunt Validation Tags are only valid during the controlled deer hunt season specified on the tag (see season dates page 19).

Hunters who are unsuccessful in this draw may not participate in the controlled deer hunt. Antlerless deer tags issued for areas that also have a controlled deer hunt are generally valid during the bow season only. Do not apply for an antlerless deer validation tag in a WMU with a controlled hunt unless you intend on hunting during the bow season.

You will be disqualified from either draw if:

- a) More than one application is submitted in your name.
- b) The application is not complete.
- c) The writing is not legible.
- d) The application is received after the deadline.
- e) False information is given.

Antlerless Deer Draw Applications

There are two ways to purchase your Resident's Deer Licence and apply for the antlerless deer draw. You can use the telephone draw entry system to purchase your Resident's Deer Licence and enter the draw by following the instructions on page 24. After the draw, applicants who applied by telephone will be mailed a licence and game seal and, if successful, a validation tag.

OR

You can apply by purchasing a Resident's or Farmer's Deer Licence at a hunting licence issuer and ensuring the attached paper application form is received by the ministry before the draw deadline. Applicants who apply by paper will be mailed an Antlerless Deer Validation Tag if they are successful in the draw.

Antlerless Deer Draw Deadline

Hunters who apply by telephone must have their application entered by no later than **11:55 p.m. July 31**. Hunters who are applying to the antlerless deer draw using paper applications must ensure that their application is received at the address on the back of the application no later than **4:30 p.m. July 31**.

The responsibility for entering a valid application rests with the hunter. If you have questions regarding draw entry, more information is available from MNR offices and licence issuers.

Antlerless Deer Draw Results

Only successful applicants will be notified by mail. However, all applicants will be able to call the toll free Wildlife Draw Results Line at 1-800-275-6657 after September 3 to determine their draw results. These results will not be available on the system prior to September 3, so please do not call before this date.

Controlled Deer Hunt Validation Tag Draw

Hunters interested in hunting in WMUs with controlled hunter numbers must have a valid hunting version of the Outdoors Card. Applications may be obtained at one of the MNR district or area office listed under the DEER HUNTS WITH CONTROLLED HUNTER NUMBERS section on page 19.

When completing your application be sure to enter the sub-unit (A, B, C, D, or E, and the season choice) late November or early December. If you do not enter the sub-units, or seasons choice your application may be rejected from the draw. If you are unsure of the WMU designation, check with the MNR office in the area where you are applying.

Controlled Deer Hunt Validation Tag Draw Deadline

Your application must be received by **4:30 p.m., August 31 of the current year**. You cannot submit more than one application for the controlled hunt. Validation tags are issued to hunters selected by lottery.

The Controlled Hunt Draw Application Form comes with a carbon copy attached. Both the original and the carbon copies must be submitted to the MNR office responsible for your first choice WMU. The maximum number of hunters per application is four.

Each hunter who receives a validation tag for deer in a controlled hunt will also receive a questionnaire about the hunt. You are required by law to complete and return the questionnaire to the MNR office shown on the questionnaire. This must be done on or before the date shown on the questionnaire. If you do not return the questionnaire, you may not be eligible for a controlled hunt validation tag the following year.

Farmers and Landowners

Farmers and landowners may apply for a controlled deer hunt validation tag for the WMU where they own 20 or more hectares or have an Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs Farm Business Registration number will be issued tags provided they submit their application no later than **4:30 p.m. Thursday, October 1, 1998**.

Controlled Deer Hunt Draw Results

Only successful hunters will be notified by mail. However, all hunters who applied in the controlled deer draw will be able to call the toll free Draw Results Line at 1-800-275-6657 starting October 15, to determine their draw results.

VALID ANTLERLESS DEER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNITS (1998)

05	21A	48	63	73	85*
06	28	49	64A	74A	86*
07A	36	50	64B	74B	87*
07B	37	53A	65	75	88*
08	38	54	66A	76*	89*
09A	39	55A	66B*	77*	90*
09B	41	55B	67	78*	91*
10	42	56	68	79*	92*
11A	43A	57	69A*	80*	93*
11B	43B	58	69B	81*	94*
12A	44	59	70*	82A	
12B	45	60A	71	82B	
13	46	61	72A	83A	
14	47	62	72B*	84	

*Tags for these WMUs are Bow Seasons ONLY.

How to Purchase Your Resident's Deer Licence and Enter the 1998 Antlerless Deer Validation Tag Draw by Telephone

NOTE: This system does not accept applications to the Controlled Deer Hunt Draw.

Please read all the instructions carefully before calling.

Use the work sheet below to record the information you will need before calling the 1-800 number. Have the work sheet in front of you during the call to help you keep track of the information and to record your credit card transaction number.

Using the list of valid antlerless deer WMUs (page 23), select the unit(s) where you wish to hunt, and write them in the space provided on the work sheet. You may apply in two different WMUs (first and second choice). If you are

applying in a WMU that has been subdivided into parts A or B (e.g. WMU 7A and 7B) you will be instructed by the system to enter the information in two steps.

Record your Visa or Master Card number and four digit expiry date in the space provided on the work sheet.

The Telephone Entry System will allow hunters to apply seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

WORK SHEET

NOTE: THIS SYSTEM DOES NOT ACCEPT CONTROLLED DEER HUNT APPLICATIONS

1. Using a Touch-Tone, or rotary dial telephone you have access to dial 1-800-288-1155, 24 hours a day from June 16 until 11:55 p.m. (EDT) July 31.

Please note: Radio telephones will not work.

Do not speak your answers into the telephone.

Be sure to apply early. If you wait for the last day and cannot get through because the lines are busy, you will not be able to enter the antlerless deer draw.

Do not wait until the last day.

2. When the system prompts you, choose the option for Antlerless Deer Draw entry.
3. After the prompt, enter the first 15 digits of your Outdoors Card.

Your Outdoors Card Number is: 708158

4. After the prompt, enter your first choice WMU. Only the valid WMUs listed on page 23 will be accepted. If your WMU is divided into A and B enter only the numbers at this prompt. The next voice prompt will then ask you to select sub-unit A or B.

Your First Choice WMU is:

5. Repeat step 4 for your second choice WMU.

Your Second Choice WMU is :

6. Enter your Visa or Master Card number and four digit expiry date.

_____ expiry date ____/____

7. Stay on the line while the system authorizes your credit card number. Record the authorization number for your records.

Your authorization number is: Authorization # _____

8. Stay on the line to confirm your postal code to ensure you receive your licence (and validation tag if successful in the draw) when it is mailed to you in late August.

KEEP THIS WORK SHEET FOR YOUR RECORDS.

1997 ANTLERLESS DEER VALIDATION TAG RESULTS

WMU	QUOTA	APPLICATIONS		ALLOCATIONS		% CHANCE ON FIRST CHOICE
		1ST	2ND	1ST	2ND	
5	50	70	191	50	0	71%
6	45	54	293	45	0	83%
07A	25	18	86	18	7	100%
07B	850	1,012	932	850	0	84%
8	375	391	175	375	0	96%
09A	200	140	248	140	60	100%
09B	250	312	493	250	0	80%
10	600	1,646	668	600	0	36%
11A	250	264	242	250	0	95%
11B	50	14	66	14	5	100%
12A	25	10	55	10	7	100%
12B	300	201	355	201	59	100%
13	1,200	741	440	741	111	100%
14	150	35	54	35	5	100%
21A	75	55	81	55	17	100%
28	25	109	122	25	0	23%
36	70	686	1,104	70	0	10%
37	518	1,489	991	518	0	35%
38	45	27	305	27	18	100%
39	50	218	335	50	0	23%
41	50	394	441	50	0	13%
42	250	1,334	1,164	250	0	19%
43A	1,000	1,297	957	1,000	0	77%
43B	4,000	4,857	1,857	4,000	0	82%
44	100	221	85	100	0	45%
45	500	1,635	590	500	0	31%
46	450	1,834	1,117	450	0	25%
47	1,890	6,389	3,022	1,890	0	30%
48	425	1,339	1,537	425	0	32%
49	1,100	4,541	2,704	1,100	0	24%
50	320	1,482	1,169	320	0	22%
53A	720	2,321	1,354	720	0	31%
54	700	1,627	1,096	700	0	43%
55A	600	983	874	600	0	61%
55B	100	1,753	1,599	100	0	6%
56	300	2,282	1,639	300	0	13%
57	2,700	3,393	2,196	2,700	0	80%
58	2,700	4,053	3,067	2,700	0	67%
59	1,400	2,266	2,255	1,400	0	62%
60A	1,600	6,086	3,466	1,600	0	26%
61	1,250	4,020	2,907	1,250	0	31%
62	600	2,374	2,185	600	0	25%
63	4,200	6,440	4,166	4,200	0	65%
64A	1,650	1,909	1,609	1,650	0	86%
64B	350	641	690	350	0	55%
65	1,000	2,453	1,427	1,000	0	41%
66A	880	1,832	1,053	880	0	48%

WMU	QUOTA	APPLICATIONS		ALLOCATIONS		% CHANCE ON FIRST CHOICE
		1ST	2ND	1ST	2ND	
66B	20	13	73	13	7	100%
67	2,200	3,752	2,167	2,200	0	59%
68	400	1,358	1,247	400	0	29%
69A	1,200	533	846	533	408	100%
69B	100	241	514	100	0	41%
71	900	765	710	765	135	100%
72A	700	529	469	529	136	100%
72B	100	41	90	41	21	100%
73	2,300	2,060	1,455	2,060	240	100%
74A	400	306	560	306	94	100%
74B	700	715	583	700	0	98%
75	1,200	1,050	893	1,050	150	100%
76	150	496	447	150	0	30%
77	525	521	438	521	4	100%
78	1,000	915	700	915	85	100%
79	2,500	372	350	372	40	100%
80	750	608	634	608	102	100%
81	450	374	462	374	46	100%
82A	5,500	4,351	2,029	4,351	346	100%
82B	1,000	620	910	620	64	100%
83A	850	1,691	959	850	0	50%
84	1,250	1,732	1,108	1,250	0	72%
85	1,000	667	461	667	81	100%
86	500	281	287	281	38	100%
87	1,500	1,350	842	1,350	144	100%
88	500	328	344	328	43	100%
89	1,500	1,108	817	1,108	134	100%
90	1,000	732	740	732	105	100%
91	550	614	470	550	0	90%
92	1,200	1,380	780	1,200	0	87%
93	800	714	574	714	86	100%
94	600	618	405	600	0	97%

TOTALS

69,333 108,083 76,826 61,397 2,798

POACHING IS STEALING

Report violations immediately to the nearest MNR office, the Ontario Provincial Police or the local police or Crime Stoppers. Penalty for any violation of the Game and Fish Act is up to \$25,000 and, in the case of a conviction for care-less hunting, may also involve imprisonment up to one year.

1997 CONTROLLED DEER HUNT VALIDATION TAG DRAW RESULTS

WMU	SEASON	QUOTA	APPLICATIONS		ALLOCATIONS		% CHANCE ON FIRST CHOICE
			1ST	2ND	1ST	2ND	
53B	1	100	319	51	101	0	31%
69A	1	400	808	170	400	0	50%
70	2	600	1758	290	600	0	34%
76A	1	400	434	19	400	0	92%
76A	2	50	88	35	50	0	57%
76B	1	450	337	8	337	8	100%
76B	2	100	125	24	100	0	80%
76C	1	600	526	19	526	19	100%
76C	2	100	147	21	100	0	68%
76D	1	350	311	7	311	7	100%
76D	2	150	119	5	119	5	100%
76E	1	40	11	0	11	0	100%
76E	2	40	28	13	28	13	100%
77B	1	800	782	34	782	19	100%
77B	2	300	221	31	221	31	100%
77C	1	125	299	29	125	0	42%
77C	2	50	106	67	50	0	47%
78A	1	400	465	21	400	0	86%
78A	2	330	373	75	331	0	88%
78B	1	500	492	35	492	11	100%
78B	2	330	452	47	330	0	73%
79A	1	90	128	18	90	0	70%
79C	1	400	379	8	379	8	100%
79D	1	175	131	5	131	5	100%
80	1	1260	1523	108	1263	0	83%
81A	1	550	494	5	494	5	100%
81A	2	150	151	10	151	0	99%
81B	1	800	750	5	750	5	100%
81B	2	500	522	10	501	0	96%
85A	1	638	610	3	610	3	100%
85A	2	62	62	1	62	0	100%
85B	1	1045	1041	10	1041	5	100%
85B	2	37	37	0	37	0	100%
85C	1	532	526	17	526	6	100%
85C	2	93	93	1	93	0	100%
86A	2	350	429	43	351	0	82%
86B	2	275	299	20	276	0	92%
87B	1	360	392	27	360	0	92%
87C	1	250	295	86	250	0	85%
87D	1	500	686	72	501	0	73%
89A	1	1085	1078	0	1078	0	100%
89B	1	1645	1373	41	1373	41	100%
90A	1	400	516	33	401	0	78%
90A	2	450	563	116	452	0	80%
90B	1	1200	938	41	938	41	100%
90B	2	1000	1095	87	1002	0	91%
91A	1	300	348	47	301	0	86%
91A	2	325	441	40	325	0	74%
91B	1	325	423	38	327	0	77%
91B	2	400	484	119	401	0	83%
92A	1	150	146	6	146	4	100%
92A	2	225	221	29	221	4	100%
92B	1	325	376	29	326	0	86%
92B	2	350	481	106	350	0	73%
92C	1	200	205	7	201	0	98%
92C	2	200	177	31	177	25	100%
92D	1	350	322	19	322	0	100%
92D	2	300	351	36	300	0	85%
93A	2	225	741	173	225	0	30%
93B	2	75	211	116	75	0	36%
TOTALS		23812	27241	2565	22621	284	

1995 DEER HUNT SUMMARY

WMU	ALL HUNTERS	HARVEST	SUCCESS RATE
5	85	41	48.24%
6	22	7	31.82%
7A	51	7	13.73%
7B	1846	1018	55.15%
8	127	123	96.85%
9A	394	160	40.61%
9B	276	267	96.74%
10	2610	1632	62.53%
11A	585	344	58.80%
12B	338	123	36.39%
13	1184	246	20.78%
14	42	0	0.00%
21A	127	82	64.57%
28	296	41	13.85%
36	973	327	33.61%
37	2143	907	42.32%
38	89	0	0.00%
39	170	82	48.24%
41	677	164	24.22%
42	1819	410	22.54%
43A	2013	1201	59.66%
43B	6420	3966	61.78%
44	296	164	55.41%
45	2532	1485	58.65%
46	2925	1029	35.18%
47	8657	1976	22.83%
48	1992	410	20.58%
49	7032	1352	19.23%
50	2242	777	34.66%
53A	3754	1233	32.84%
53B	127	82	64.57%
54	2264	783	34.58%
55A	1445	455	31.49%
55B	2909	997	34.27%
56	2785	622	22.33%
57	4363	1884	43.18%
58	7290	2880	39.51%
59	3223	1195	37.08%
60A	9823	2830	28.81%
61	6224	2089	33.56%
62	3916	737	18.82%
63	9642	4160	43.14%
64A	2097	993	47.35%
64B	681	328	48.16%
65	2968	737	24.83%
66A	2591	987	38.09%
67	4999	2556	51.13%
68	2206	492	22.30%
69A	808	491	60.77%
69B	381	327	85.83%
70	1312	614	46.80%
71	930	204	21.94%
72A	804	205	25.50%
72B	42	41	97.62%
73	2245	943	42.00%
74A	85	82	96.47%
74B	1022	410	40.12%
75	1776	777	43.75%
76	1861	451	24.23%
77	889	451	50.73%
78	1480	656	44.32%
79	930	205	22.04%
80	1185	654	55.19%
81	1184	369	31.17%
82	6348	2745	43.24%
83	2844	704	24.75%
84	2714	1233	45.43%
85	2242	1351	60.26%
86	508	204	40.16%
87	2199	1065	48.43%
88	338	204	60.36%
89	2369	533	22.50%
90	2834	779	27.49%
91	1142	574	50.26%
92	2284	1352	59.19%
93	1015	246	24.24%
94	719	205	28.51%
TOTALS	165760	62456	37.68%

HATS FOR HIDES: CONSERVATION THROUGH COOPERATION

MNR is no longer directly involved with hide collection. We are facilitating the efforts of Aboriginal peoples involved in administering and coordinating the collection program. Hunter participation in this program ensures the whole use of harvested animals and benefits Aboriginal people. Details concerning locations, dates and times that any local hide collection centres will be operating are available, in the fall, from the Union of Ontario Indians office (1-705-497-9127) or from MNR offices. **Look for the bright orange Hats for Hides depot signs.**

You will receive a specially designed gift recognizing a successful hunt in return for a suitably prepared bear, deer or moose hide when delivered to a designated collection centre.

Treat the hide carefully. Avoid making any cuts or nicks in the hide when skinning. Remove as much flesh as possible. Decay can begin almost immediately so if you can't get the hide to a collection depot immediately, preserve the hide by rubbing coarse salt (1 kg [2 lb.] for deer and 2 kg [4 lb.] for moose) into the flesh side of the hide. Only freeze hides that will be home tanned. When transporting the hide, use a cardboard box or burlap bag. **Do not put the hide in plastic.** Even when salted, the hide will decay if no air reaches it. Spoiled hides will not be accepted.

YOUR COOPERATION IS APPRECIATED!

CONSERVATION IS A WAY OF LIFE!



THE EASTERN HABITAT JOINT VENTURE

Another successful MNR partnership

In May 1986, Canada signed the North American Waterfowl Management Plan with the United States. That began one of the most successful conservation partnerships of this century. Ontario joined the effort in 1989 and by the time Mexico joined in 1993, major strides in protecting wetlands and restoring waterfowl populations to their 1970's levels were already underway.

The direct funding partners in Ontario are Ducks Unlimited Canada, Wildlife Habitat Canada, The Nature Conservancy of Canada, The Canadian Wildlife Service of Environment Canada, Agriculture Canada and the Ontario Ministries of Natural Resources and Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. Through the licences and permits that they purchase, hunters are important contributors to this joint initiative.

These agencies established a set of objectives to protect, enhance and manage wetland habitats and adjacent uplands and have been successful in attracting over \$16,000,000 from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Ducks Unlimited Inc., several states and The Nature Conservancy. Along with \$40,000,000 from Canadian sources, the Eastern Habitat Joint Venture (EHJV) in Ontario has secured over 375,000 acres of wetlands, influenced over 3,500,000 acres of adjacent lands and enhanced almost 200,000 acres.

So, after a decade of work, the achievements of this broad-scale action plan are becoming apparent and "the skies are alive again" to the delight of waterfowlers and naturalists alike.

SMALL MAMMALS SEASONS AND OTHER REGULATIONS

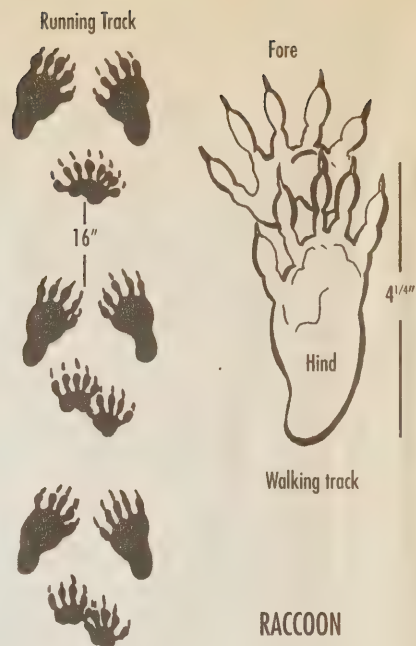
Furbearing Animals

Badger, beaver, bobcat, fisher, lynx, marten, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, red squirrel and wolverine are furbearing animals that may be taken only under a licence to trap. If you are interested in trapping and fur dealing, call your local MNR office for more information.

You may hunt furbearing animals other than those listed above under the authority of your small game licence (see table: Furbearing Animals).

The pelts of all furbearing animals with the exception of muskrat must be stamped (sealed) by an Officer before they are exported or tanned. Royalty is payable on all furbearers before the pelts are sent to be tanned or treated; including taxidermied or exported from Ontario. (See also Export and Shipping, page 9.)

Only if you are a resident you may hunt for raccoon at night. You must be accompanied by a dog licensed for raccoon hunting. You must also have a resident's licence to hunt raccoon at night.



FURBEARING ANIMALS

Open Seasons

Species	Area	Open Season
Wolf, Coyote	Any part of Ontario except the townships of Hagarty, Richards and Burns in the County of Renfrew	All year
Wolf, Coyote	In the townships of Hagarty, Richards and Burns in the County of Renfrew	Oct. 1 to Dec. 14 Apr. 1 to Sept. 30
Raccoon	All of Ontario lying north of a line running westerly from Amprior along Highways no. 17, 132, 41, 500, 28, 121, 503 and 169 to the centre line of the Severn River, then west along that centre line to the waters of Georgian Bay	Oct. 15 to Dec. 31
	Remainder of Ontario south of the above noted line	Oct. 15 to Jan. 15
Red Fox	All of Ontario north of French and Mattawa rivers	Sept. 15 to last day of Feb. of the next year
	Remainder of Ontario	All year
Arctic Fox	All Ontario	Oct. 25 to Mar. 31
Grey Fox	All Ontario	Oct. 25 to last day of Feb. of the next year
Skunk	All Ontario	All year
Weasel	All Ontario	Oct. 25 to last day of Feb. of the next year

WORK PERMITS

The Public Lands Act states that you must have a work permit before you construct a new building, create trails, and do other modifications on Crown land. Crown land includes the bottom of most water bodies. Contact your local district office before you do work on Crown lands. They will advise you if you require a work permit. In addition, hunters are reminded that it is an offence under the Public Lands Act to leave any material, substance or thing on Crown land.

HUNTING AND PHYSICAL FITNESS

Be wise and have a complete medical and eye examination before the hunting season. Get in shape! Know your limitations and don't overexert yourself. Have a safe and healthy hunt.

RABBITS AND HARES SEASONS

Cottontail Rabbit, European Hare, Varying (Snowshoe) Hare

TOWNSHIP LICENCES - A township licence is required in addition to a provincial licence for hunting rabbits in a regulated township (see maps). Contact the municipal clerk for issuance of township licences and information on firearm restrictions.

NON-RESIDENTS NOTE: A non-resident's small game licence is not valid for hunting rabbits in the counties of Kent, Lambton or Essex, except in the Township of Pelee.

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit
1-50, 53-59	Sept. 1 to June 15	1) Cottontail Rabbit: - limit of 6 2) European Hare - limit of 6 3) Varying Hare: - for WMUs 1-50 and 53-59 - no limit; - WMUs 60-95 - 6 maximum
61-67, 69B	Sept. 20 to Mar. 31	
60A, 68, 69A, 70, 71, 74, 75	Sept. 25 to Mar. 31	
72, 73, 76, 77, 81-86	Sept. 25 to Feb. 28	
78-80, 87, 90, 91, 92	Oct. 21 to Feb. 28	
88, 89	Oct. 28 to Feb. 28	
93, 94	Oct. 28 to Feb. 28	
95	Jan. 1 to Feb. 28	

SQUIRREL SEASONS

(Black, grey, fox)

WMU(s)	Open Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
36-41, 45	Sept. 15 to Dec. 15	10	10
42-44, 46-50, 53-59, 61-67, 69B	Sept. 20 to Dec. 15	10	10
60A, 68, 69A, 70-92	Sept. 25 to Dec. 15	5	10
93, 94	Oct. 28 to Nov. 7	5	10

ONTARIO WETLAND HABITAT FUND

Financial assistance for private landowners

Wetlands are Ontario's most diverse and productive habitats. They occur across the landscape and, in southern Ontario, are owned by thousands of individuals. Consequently, the maintenance and enhancement of these areas depend on the activities of their owners. With the financial support provided by Wildlife Habitat Canada, the Ministry of Natural Resources and internationally through the North American Waterfowl Management Plan partners, the fund provides private landowners with financial assistance for projects that protect and improve the ecological integrity of wetland habitats.

A portion of the funding comes from provincial hunting licences and the Canadian Wildlife Habitat Conservation Stamp which

is part of the federal migratory game bird hunting permit. In addition to this contribution from hunters, anyone who wishes to contribute to this effort can purchase the Habitat Conservation Stamp through the philatelic outlets of Canada Post. Many landowners would appreciate the assistance of local groups such as game and fish clubs in the identification of enhancement opportunities of important wetlands, implementing the project and in monitoring the responses of wetland-dependent wildlife.

One of the principal objectives of the fund is to encourage landowners to be involved in wetland habitat protection, improvement, maintenance and monitoring. The planning for each conservation project is led by the landowner: it is their right and responsibility.

The fund is available to those owners who complete a conservation plan. The conservation plan examines the wetland resource on their land and determines what compatible conservation actions can be incorporated in their property management strategy to enhance wetlands for wildlife habitat.

Wetland habitat projects may be eligible for up to a maximum of 50 per cent of project costs or \$5,000 (whichever is less). Funding of projects is contingent on negotiating a 10-year conservation agreement with the landowner. Interested wetland owners can contact the Wetland Habitat Fund Manager through the Guelph District Office of the Ministry of Natural Resources (519-658-0355).

HOW ARE THE DRAWS CHANGING FOR 1998

THE PROVINCIAL BIG GAME MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES TO MOOSE AND DEER ALLOCATIONS

The Simmons independent review of the Ontario's moose and deer tag draws recommended that the Provincial Big Game Management Advisory Committee (BGMAC) review and implement the recommendations contained in the report. In order to inform hunters on the outcome of the review and to obtain the input of Ontario's moose and deer hunters, the Simmons report was condensed into two packages that contained a summary of the review and a survey. These two packages were mailed to 271,188 active moose and deer hunters in the fall of 1997. By early December 49,960 legible surveys were returned and analyzed. All letters that were received were also reviewed and considered in developing the following recommendations.

Moose Draw Survey Results BGMAC Recommendations and Resulting Changes

In total, 27,213 completed moose hunter surveys were returned. The results of the returned surveys are outlined below along with the resulting recommendations from the BGMAC.

The Point System vs. Improvements to the Group Application System - 63% of the responses preferred the Group Application System provided that the ministry establishes a Guaranteed Group Size and simplifies the transfer process. Only 30% of the responses favored the Points System.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Establish a guaranteed group size for 1998 where possible.
- Provide successful group applicants with an alternate tag holder's name in the event a transfer is requested.

Change for 1998:

The table on page 38 shows the Guaranteed Group Size required to receive a tag in the 1998 moose tag draw. During the very first step of the draw all groups who enter a valid group application that contains a number of Pool 1 hunters equal to or greater than their Pool 1 Choice 1 Guaranteed Group Size listed on page 38 will be issued the corresponding tag.

Furthermore all tags issued to successful group applicants will bear the name of another randomly selected Pool 1 member of the group. In the event that a group has to transfer the tag, a one-time transfer to this alternate hunter will be granted provided the season has not yet opened. See page 37 for more details.

Suspension of Hunting Privileges - 89% of hunters responding supported the lengthy removal of hunting privileges for any hunter convicted of illegally taking big game.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Continue to seek hunting privilege suspensions where hunters are convicted of illegally taking game.

Change for 1998:

When the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act becomes law later in 1998, enforcement staff will have greater flexibility in protecting Ontario's resources while ensuring that poachers will face the toughest penalties in Ontario's history. For example, a conviction of an offence committed for Commercial offences now carries a fine up to \$100,000 and a prison term of two years.

Restrictions on Party Hunting - 62% of hunters responding stated that they would support some limitations on party hunting if more validation tags would become available through the draw. 54% of hunters responding felt that party hunting should be restricted to those who applied to the draw as a group.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Clearly define the rules regarding party hunting.
- Limit abuse of the party hunting rules to ensure that moose harvests are sustainable and hunting opportunities are maximized.

Change for 1998:

During the summer of 1998, the regulation permitting party hunting will be reworded to clearly define what "in communication" means within the traditional intent of party hunting. The change will ensure that party hunters are hunting in a relatively small, clearly defined area, where they do not need to rely on vehicles or electromagnetic devices as their sole means of communication.

Game Seals - 82% of hunters responding indicated that the game seal currently in use would be sufficient if it did not have to be affixed at the kill site but only prior to transporting the game in or on a vehicle or vessel.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Refine the regulation regarding tagging of animals and examine options to improve the game seal design
 - A change is expected for 1999.

New Archery and Muzzle-loader Seasons for Moose Hunters- 64% of hunters responding indicated that establishing new archery and muzzle-loader seasons would be a good idea if all hunters had to compete equally for adult validation tags through the gun draw. However, in new areas, because of their lower success rate 69% of hunters responding were opposed to the idea that archery hunters should have a separate adult tag quota (taken from the gun quota).

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Examine areas where sustainable archery and muzzle-loader opportunities can be introduced.
- Ensure that hunters compete equally for tags where new seasons are introduced.
- Ensure that these changes do not affect areas where there are currently separate gun and archery quotas
 - A change is expected for 1999.

Encasement of Firearms - 74% of hunters responding were opposed to any regulation that would require the "encasement of firearms" at all times in or on a motorized vehicle or vessel while hunting big game.

Restrictions on Hunting in Cutovers and New Forest Roads - 56% of hunters were opposed to restrictions on moose hunting in new cutovers or on new forest roads.

Licence Fees - 69% of hunters responding indicated they disagreed with the idea of paying more for a moose licence so that more funds would be available for moose management.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- Given these results the Provincial Big Game Management Advisory Committee made no recommendation on these issues at this time.

Deer Draw Survey Results BGMAC Recommendations and Resulting Changes

In total, 22,747 deer hunter surveys were returned. The results of the returned surveys are outlined below along with the resulting recommendation from the BGMAC.

Surplus Tags - 82% of hunters responding indicated that the ministry should make it possible for deer draw applicants to obtain antlerless deer, or controlled deer tags which are left over after the draw.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- The ministry should wait for the results of the current review of the provincial deer management policy before developing a surplus deer tag allocation system to ensure that any surplus deer tag allocation system compliments the recommendations of the 1998 deer review.
- Work to develop a surplus deer tag allocation system for 1999.

Group Application System- 58% of hunters responding disagreed that a group application process should be introduced to the antlerless deer draw.

BGMAC Recommendations:

- With the review of the provincial deer management policy currently taking place the ministry should wait for the review's results before further considering a group application system for the antlerless deer draw.

AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

Snakes

Ten species of snakes (black rat snake, blue racer, eastern hog-nose snake, eastern fox snake, Lake Erie and northern water snakes, queen snake, timber rattlesnake, Butler's garter snake and eastern massasauga) are protected from being hunted or possessed under the Game and Fish Act. One species of lizard (five-lined skink) is also protected. See also Endangered Species, page 8.

Frogs and Turtles

You may take snapping turtles and bullfrogs if you have an Outdoors Card with the appropriate fishing validation tag

attached, or if you are a non-resident, you must have a non-resident sport fishing licence with an appropriate fishing validation tag that has not expired.

The Game and Fish Act protects turtles (except the box turtle) found naturally in the wild. Fowler's toad, Blanchard's cricket frog and the northern dusty salamanders are also protected.

You may not take more than two snapping turtles a day, nor may you possess more than five snapping turtles. No commercial harvest of snapping turtles is permitted. You may only take snapping turtles by box or funnel traps or by your bare hands.

You may take bullfrogs from July 21 to October 15. You may not take more than 10 bullfrogs in one day nor possess more than 10. Bullfrogs may not be

taken in the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton, the Counties of Prescott and Russell, Stormont Dundas and Glengarry, Leeds and Grenville, Lanark, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington, Prince Edward, Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria or in the townships in the County of Hastings south of and including the townships of Marmora and Lake, Tudor and Cashel, and Elgevir and Grimsthorpe. No firearm other than a longbow or crossbow may be used to take bullfrogs. Contact a MNR office for further information and see the fishing summary for additional information.

For more information on commercial harvest of bullfrogs, contact MNR offices.

NOTE: It is illegal to harvest bullfrogs in provincial parks.

OPEN SEASON FOR SNAPPING TURTLES

WMU(s)	Residents	Non-Residents
2-45	All year	All year
61, 62	All year	July 15 - Sept. 15
46-50, 53-60, 63-95	July 15 - Sept. 15	July 15 - Sept. 15

YOUR COOPERATION IS APPRECIATED

Report vandalism to electrical equipment and insulators on power lines as soon as possible. This helps keep utility bills and power outages of Ontario homes to a minimum.

WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT DECOYS

Ontario Conservation Officers use simulated wildlife to detect violations in regard to public safety and unlawful harvest sections of the Game and Fish Act.

HUNTING IN ONTARIO PROVINCIAL PARKS permitted by regulations made under the Game and Fish Act*

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|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Abitibi-De Troyes | 19. Kopka River | 36. Mississagi River | 54. Severn River |
| 2. Albany River | 20. La Cloche | 37. Nagagamisis | 55. The Shoals |
| 3. Algonquin (Clyde & Bruton Twp.) | 21. La Motte Lake | 38. Nakina Moraine | 56. Sibbald Point |
| 4. Aubrey Falls | 22. La Verendrye | 39. Obabika River | 57. Silver Falls |
| 5. Biscotasi Lake | 23. Lake of the Woods | 40. Obatanga | 58. Solace |
| 6. Black Creek | 24. Lake St. Peter | 41. Opeongo River | 59. South Bay |
| 7. Bonnechere River | 25. Lake Superior | 42. Otonkwin-Attawapiskat River | 60. Steel River |
| 8. Brightsand River | 26. Larder River | 43. Ottawa River | 61. Sturgeon River |
| 9. Chapleau-Nemegosenda | 27. Little Abitibi | 44. Oxtongue River - Ragged Falls | 62. Turtle River - White Otter Lake |
| 10. Charleston Lake | 28. Little Current River | 45. Pipestone River | 63. Upper Madawaska River |
| 11. Dana-Jowsey Lakes | 29. Long Point | 46. Point Farms | 64. W.J.B. Greenwood |
| 12. Darlington | 30. The Massasauga (formerly Blackstone Harbour) | 47. Polar Bear | 65. Wabakimi |
| 13. Fawn River | 31. Lower Madawaska River | 48. Presqu'île | 66. Wanapitei |
| 14. French River | 32. Makobe-Grays River | 49. Pretty River Valley | 67. Westmeath |
| 15. Fushimi Lake | 33. McRae Point | 50. Restoule | 68. Winisk River |
| 16. Grundy Lake | 34. Middle Falles | 51. Rock Point | |
| 17. Kashabowie | 35. Missinaibi River | 52. Rondeau | |
| 18. Kawartha Highlands | | 53. Sandpoint Island | |

* Hunting in Provincial Parks is subject to the Ontario Hunting Regulations. For more information, contact your local MNR office.

MOOSE SEASONS AND OTHER REGULATIONS

Definitions

A calf moose is a moose that is less than one year old at the time of the hunt.

A bull moose is a male moose that is at least one year old at the time of the hunt.

A cow moose is a female moose that is at least one year old at the time of the hunt.

NOTE: You may not hunt moose while they are swimming.

Licence and Validation Tags

Resident Hunters

A Resident's Moose Licence is valid for calf only moose hunting in any Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) that has an open season. You need moose validation

tags to hunt adult bull or adult cow moose; these tags are issued to hunters selected by lottery. You must buy a moose licence before you can enter the moose validation tag draw.

Validation tags state the sex of the adult animal, the WMU from which the animal may be taken, the season during which the tag is valid, and the conditions under which the adult animal may be taken. If you are going to be a guest of a tourist outfitter at the time of the hunt, you may be able to get a moose validation tag through the outfitter. This tag is valid only while you are registered and actually accommodated at the tourist establishment or at a camp operated by the outfitter.

You cannot have more than one adult moose validation tag at the time of the hunt.

Non-resident Hunters

A non-resident must be a registered guest and actually accommodated at the tourist establishment or at a camp operated by

the outfitter. The outfitter must have applied and received on the non-residents behalf a validation tag to hunt moose. Exceptions are:

1. Non-residents who hunt with an immediate relative (grandparent, father, mother, spouse, son, daughter, brother, sister or grandchild) who is an Ontario resident licensed to hunt moose.
or
2. Non-residents who are property owners in a WMU that has an open moose season for non-residents.

Persons who qualify under these two exemptions may apply to the resident tag draw.

If you are a non-resident and a registered guest of a licensed tourist outfitter, you must have a moose validation tag in order to purchase a moose licence.

A non-resident's licence to hunt moose is not valid unless it has a bull, cow or calf validation tag attached to it.

MOOSE SEASONS

WMU(s)	Resident Open Season	Non-Resident Open Season
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Rifles, Shotguns, Bows & Muzzle-loaders

1A, 1C, 1D, 16A, 16B, 16C, 17, 18B, 25	Sept. 19 to Dec. 15	Sept. 21 to Nov. 15
2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9A, 12A, 15A, 15B, 18A, 19, 21A, 21B	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	Oct. 12 to Nov. 15
7B, 9B, 11A, 11B, 12B, 13, 14	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	No Season
11B	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9 Special hunt for persons who are permanently incapable of walking.	No Season
22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42	Oct. 10 to Nov. 15	Oct. 12 to Nov. 15
26	Sept. 19 to Oct. 31	Sept. 21 to Oct. 31
46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 53, 54, 55A, 55B, 56, 57, 58, 60A, 61, 62, 63	Oct. 19 to Oct. 24	No Season

Bows and Muzzle-loaders

7A	Oct. 10 to Dec. 15	Oct. 12 to Nov. 15
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Bows Only

2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9A, 12A, 15A, 15B, 18A, 19, 21A, 21B, 23, 24, 29, 38	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9
7B, 9B, 11A, 12B, 13, 14	Sept. 19 to Oct. 9	No Season

Bow-hunting for Moose

If you wish to hunt moose with a bow during a special bow season, you may apply for a bull or cow validation tag in the draw. These validation tags are only for the special bow season; they become invalid on the closing day of the bow season. If you have not killed a moose during the special bow season, you may still hunt using any legally allowed firearm during the regular gun hunt. However, your licence will be valid for calves only, unless you are hunting with a party that has valid bull or cow tags.

Hunters wishing to hunt adult moose during the special bow season must have an adult validation tag issued for the special bow season. They may, however, hunt for

calves with a bow during the special bow season provided they comply with all other legal requirements for bow-hunting.

Party Hunting for Moose

(see Glossary page 50)

Party hunting for moose is allowed. The number of bull, cow and calf moose taken must not be more than the number of bull and cow validation tags and valid moose licences held by members of the party. Any member of the party may take the animal. The total number of moose taken by the party may not exceed the number of game seals held by party members.

Sealing and Transporting Moose

After a bull, cow or calf moose is taken, the party member whose licence is validated for taking the bull, cow or calf moose must immediately attach his or her game seal to the animal.

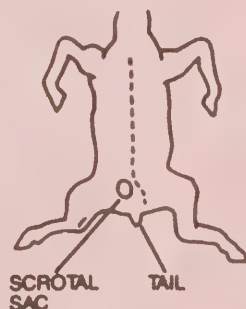
If you are transporting part of a moose, be prepared to state the name of the hunter who sealed the animal, the hunting licence and validation tag number under which the animal was claimed and the WMU in which it was taken, if requested to do so by an Officer.



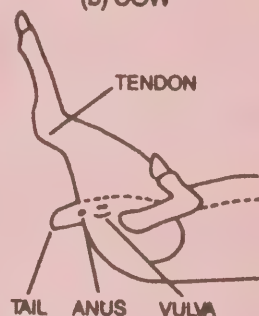
TAGGING MOOSE

As part of the Selective Harvest Program, validation tags are issued for a specific age and sex of moose. You must have evidence of the age and sex of any moose that you kill.

(a) BULL



(b) COW

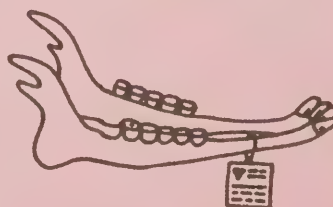


For bull or cow moose: Cut to one side of the scrotal sac or vulva when opening the animal for gutting – as shown above with the dotted line in illustrations (a) and (b). Leave the scrotal sac or vulva attached by connective tissue. Then attach the seal to the tendon of the hind leg – illustration (c) – to which the scrotal sac or vulva is attached. Note the location of the tendon in illustration (b). To prevent the loss or the damage of the seal (torn off), it could be protected by making a slice in the hide, tucking the seal under the skin and wrapping with tape.

(c) BULL OR COW

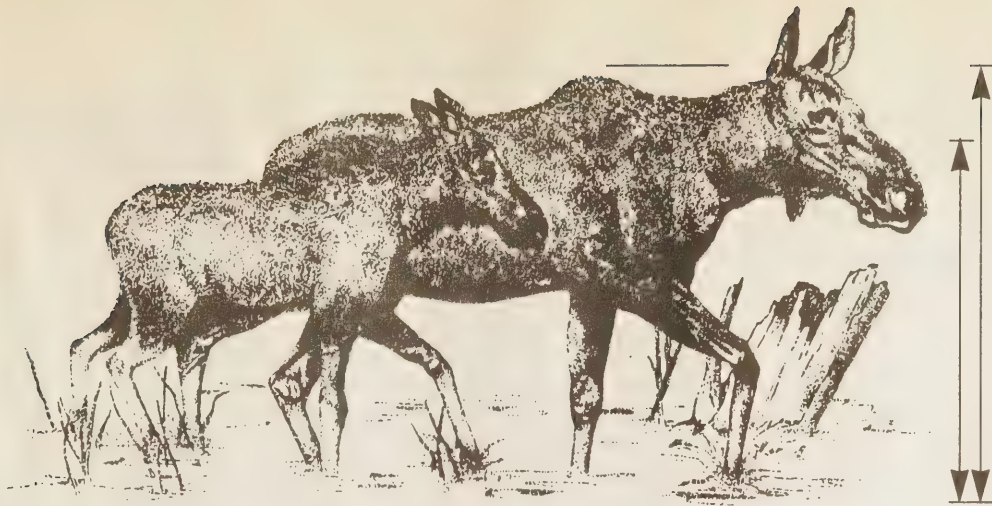


(d) CALF



For calves: Attach the seal to the lower jaw – illustration (d). The lower jaw must be kept whole (i.e., the two sides must not be separated). You do not need to provide any proof of sex of calves. The lower jaw may be removed from the head as long as it is kept whole.

HOW TO TELL A COW FROM A CALF



Short face

Calf moose appear to have a small nose and a "short face."

Seldom alone

Calf moose are seldom alone

Body proportions

Calf moose appear to have more leg than body and their hindquarters appear slender

Shoulder Height

Shoulder height of cow moose is six feet (2 m) and of calf moose is four feet (1.3 m)

THE ADULT MOOSE VALIDATION TAG DRAW

Applying To The Draw

Resident Hunters

Resident hunters must have a valid hunting version of the Outdoors Card before buying a licence tag. The licence tag is a sticker that is attached to the back of the card. The licence tag comes with a game seal and a draw application.

If you do not have a valid Outdoors Card, application forms are available at hunting licence issuers and MNR offices. Please allow at least four weeks for delivery from the time of receipt of your application. If you need a card sooner, MNR offices have temporary Outdoors Cards available so that you may enter the draw before the deadline.

Non-Resident Hunters

Provided they have valid hunting accreditation non-resident hunters may hunt moose if they are registered and accommodated by a tourist outfitter. Non-residents hunting with an immediate relative, who is a resident of Ontario and an accredited hunter, and those who own

land in the WMU where they wish to hunt, can apply to the resident tag draw in certain areas (see page 33).

You will be disqualified from the draw if:

1. More than one application is submitted in your name.
2. Your application is not complete.
3. Your application is not legible.
4. Your application is received after the deadline.
5. Your application contains false information.

You are solely responsible for ensuring that your application is valid.

CADMIUM

Ministry of Natural Resources is continuing to recommend that people not eat the liver and the kidneys of moose and deer because of the concerns about cadmium. For further information, please contact your local MNR office.

1998 Adult Moose Validation Tag Draw Deadline

Adult Moose Validation Tag Draw applications for 1998 are attached to the 1998 Moose Licences. Group Application Envelopes and Outdoors Card application forms are now available at hunting licence issuers and some MNR offices.

In order to be eligible for the draw, applications, whether submitted individually or in a Group Application Envelope, must reach the post office box indicated on the back of the application before 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, 1998.

Whether applications are delivered by courier, registered mail or through the regular or government mail, please allow at least 10 working days for delivery. All late applications are rejected from the draw without exception.

How The Draw Works

Each of the 67 WMUs has a bull or cow gun quota. Some WMUs have cow and bull archery quotas as well. The application allows you to select choices of WMU, type of tag (bull or cow) and season preference (gun or bow).

What Pool Are You In?

Applicants who applied unsuccessfully to the draw in the previous year (1997) are placed in Pool 1 (also called the Preference Pool). All other applicants, including those who received a tag through a transfer in the previous year, are placed in Pool 2. In the majority of WMUs you must be in Pool 1 to have a chance of receiving a tag.

The computer allocates tags to both groups and individuals in the following sequence:

Pool 1, Choice 1 (P1C1)

Pool 1, Choice 2 (P1C2)

Pool 2, Choice 1 (P2C1)

Pool 2, Choice 2 (P2C2)

The Three Draw Steps

Step 1: Guaranteed Group Size Allocation

The table on page 38 shows the Guaranteed Group Size for Pool 1 Choice 1 applicants in each WMU, sex and season choice available. During the first step of the draw all groups who entered a valid application with a number of Pool 1 hunters equal to or greater than the corresponding Pool 1 Choice 1 Guaranteed Group Size listed on page 38 will be issued a tag. One tag will be randomly assigned by computer to a Pool 1 member of each qualifying group and these groups will be removed from the draw.

Step 2: Large Group Allocation

The computer calculates the number of applicants in the draw step and compares that to the number of tags. This is called the Hunter: Tag Ratio. All groups with a number of Pool 1 applicants equal to or greater than the Hunter: Tag Ratio will be issued one tag and removed from the draw. The tag is randomly allocated by computer to one Pool 1 member of the group and the group is removed from the draw.

Step 3: Random Allocation

At this step of the draw, all remaining applicants who have the WMU and sex of animal as their first choice are given a random chance to receive one of the remaining tags regardless of whether they applied individually or in a group smaller than the Hunter: Tag Ratio.

If there are tags remaining after this step then the steps two and three are repeated for all applicants who are in Pool 1 with the WMU and sex of animal as their second choice. If there are still tags remaining in the quota, then the process is continued for Pool 2 Choice 1 applicants, and so on. In heavily subscribed WMUs only hunters in Pool 1 Choice 1 will have a chance to receive a tag. The Guaranteed Group Allocation only takes place in Pool 1 Choice 1 and is not repeated for other pools or choices.

The more hunters apply in groups the more evenly the tags will be spread out among hunting parties. WMUs with higher than average group applications have significantly increased draw odds for all applicants.

What Is The Guaranteed Group Size

The Guaranteed Group Size is calculated for each WMU, gender and season choice by adding together the Pool 1 Choice 1 (P1C1) applicants and the Pool 2 Choice 1 (P2C1) applicants from the previous year's draw. Subtracting last year's tag quota will result in the "potential" number of P1C1 applications to this year's draw. Finally this "potential" P1C1 application rate is divided by this year's tag quota and the result is this year's Guaranteed Group Size.

For example:

In WMU 28, last year there were 3,279 P1C1 applications for a bull tag. There were also 1,031 hunters in Pool 2 with a bull as their first choice. These 4,310 ($3,279 + 1,031 = 4,310$) hunters are "potential" Pool 1 applicants for a bull tag in WMU 28 this year, except for the 593 (1997 bull tag quota) who we know received tags through the draw last year. Therefore, the 3,717 "potential" P1C1 applications are divided by this year's quota (504) to give us the Guaranteed Group Size of (7.3) 8 Pool 1 hunters ($3,717/504 = 7.3$). All groups which apply for bull tag and have at least (7.3) 8 Pool 1 hunters will be issued a bull tag.

How Large Should Our Group Be?

If you have enough Pool 1 hunters in your party to meet the Guaranteed Group Size in the WMU, sex and season choice for the type of tag your party wants, we

recommend you all apply together to the draw using the special Group Application Envelope. Be sure to keep a record of your group application number.

What About Small Groups and WMUs With No Guaranteed Group Size?

If you are not able to meet the Guaranteed Group Size, or there is no Guaranteed Group Size in your area, it still makes sense to apply to the draw in a group. The draw will continue to issue tags to groups which meet the Hunter: Tag Ratio in the second step of the draw. Also all the Pool 1 members in groups smaller than the Hunter: Tag Ratio will still receive a chance in the random portion of the draw as though they had applied individually. The exception is that once one group member receives a tag all other group members are removed from the draw. It always makes sense to apply as a group if you hunt in a party.

Why Apply In Groups?

- Applying in a group will ensure that applicants in the group have more chances of obtaining a hunting opportunity.
- The more hunters there are who apply in groups the better the distribution of tags among parties of hunters will be, and this will, in turn increase everyone's chances in the draw.
- Only one group member will ever be successful in the draw. This will maximize the number Pool 1 hunters in your group in the following year.

Individual Applicants

Individual hunters have a chance in the random allocation step of the draw. This chance is better than it would be under a strictly random draw because group applicants limit themselves to one tag.

For example: In WMU 28 last year there were 3,279 Pool 1 applicants with a first choice of a bull tag. Under a strictly random draw where everyone is treated as an individual, all applicants would have had an 18 per cent chance to receive a tag. However, in the draw, 384 of the 1,923 individual applicants were successful.

This was a 20 per cent chance of success.

This is because there were a large number of groups in this area and everytime a group is successful everyone's chance increases.

NOTE: Hunting parties who apply as individual's and receive more tags than the party wants are not permitted to return tags.

Tag Transfers

The tag held by a member of a group which applied to the draw with at least 2 Pool 1 hunters using a group application envelope will bear the name of another, randomly assigned, Pool 1 group member. This second hunter is the designated alternative tag transfer recipient. In the event that a group has to transfer a tag, a one time transfer to the group alternate will only be granted by a ministry office, provided the original tag is returned to the MNR office at the time of the request, and the season has not yet opened.

After the season opens, a tag can only be transferred if the tag holder is medically unfit to hunt (as proven by a Doctor's certificate).

Individual applicants are not allowed to transfer tags.

Hunters who receive tags through a transfer will be placed in Pool 2 in the following year. Hunters who have transferred tags to a group member will be placed in Pool 1 in the following year's draw.

Moose Hunter Education

MNR and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) have produced two manuals: Book 1 - Moose Biology, Ecology and Management and Book 2 - Moose Hunting Techniques, Hunting Ethics and the Law. These books are for advanced moose hunter education courses.

Each two volume set is available for \$10.65, tax included. To cover shipping charges, please include \$2.50 if ordering less than 10 sets of books; \$5.00 for 10 to 49 sets; and \$10.00 for 50 or more sets. To order using a credit card, please call 1-800-667-1940 or send a cheque payable to:

Ontario Minister of Finance
Ministry of Natural Resources
300 Water Street, P.O. Box 7000
Peterborough, Ontario
K9J 8M5

A 90-minute video on moose hunting has been produced for moose hunters. Moose Hunt - A Guide To Success covers such topics as equipment, tracking, calling, and field dressing. It may be purchased for \$59.95 including taxes and shipping. To order using a credit card please call (705) 748-6324 or send a cheque payable to:

Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters
P.O. Box 2800
Peterborough, Ontario
K9J 6Y5



CFWIP

Under MNR's Community Fisheries and Wildlife Involvement Program (CFWIP), Ontario hunters have tackled hundreds of wildlife management projects. You can contribute to wildlife conservation by getting involved. Encourage children to get involved in conservation activities; help develop a sense of stewardship in our young people.

Think of the future. Get involved in CFWIP.

For more information and project application, contact your local MNR office.

Completing the Group Application Form

Clearly write in your group's first and second choice of Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) and the type of tag. Check the season table for valid WMU's. Only check the "special bow season preference" box if you want an "archery only" tag. Double check your entries. Invalid entries are rejected. The choices on the envelope override any choices on applications within the envelope.

This is your group number. Write this number in the box provided on each group member's application prior to sealing the envelope. You should keep a record of your group number.



Ministry of Natural Resources
Ministère des Richesses naturelles

Moose Validation Tag Group Application

Vignette de validation pour la chasse à l'original Demande de Groupe

The Moose Validation Tag Applications which are contained in this envelope and whose serial numbers are listed below are being submitted as a group for the Wildlife Management Unit and sex indicated below:

Les demandes de vignette de validation pour la chasse à l'original contenues dans cette enveloppe et portant les numéros de série indiqués ci-dessous sont soumises en groupe pour l'unité de gestion de la faune et le sexe suivant :

1st choice 1 ^{re} choix	2nd choice 2 ^e choix	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série
<input type="checkbox"/> WMU UGF	<input type="checkbox"/> WMU UGF	1.	2.	3.	4.
<input type="checkbox"/> Bull Mâle	<input type="checkbox"/> Bull Mâle	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série
<input type="checkbox"/> Cow Femelle	<input type="checkbox"/> Cow Femelle	5.	6.	7.	8.
<input type="checkbox"/> Special bow season preference Saison spéciale de chasse à l'arc	<input type="checkbox"/> Special bow season preference Saison spéciale de chasse à l'arc	Application serial no. N° de série	Application serial no. N° de série	Total applications contained in this envelope Nombre total de demandes contenues dans cette enveloppe	
		9.	10.		

* Please make sure that the Group Application No. is recorded in the space provided on each individual application. Veuillez vous assurer que le numéro de demande de groupe est bien inscrit dans l'espace réservé à cet effet sur chaque formulaire de demande individuelle.

Write the serial (licence) numbers of each of the applications contained inside the envelope in the boxes provided (maximum number of applications: ten).

How many applications have you placed in the envelope? Write the number here.

GUN GUARANTEED GROUP SIZE FOR 1998

WMU	POOL 1 CHOICE 1 GROUP SIZE GUARANTEE FOR 1998		ACTUAL POOL 1 CHOICE 1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO IN 1997	
	BULL TAGS	COW TAGS	BULL RATIO	COW RATIO
1A	2	2	0.00	0.00
1C	2	2	0.01	0.02
1D	2	2	0.20	0.00
2	2	3	0.53	1.09
3	2	3	1.42	2.03
4	2	3	1.62	2.26
5	3	3	2.75	2.65
6	2	2	1.15	1.18
7A	2	2	0.13	0.56
7B	3	3	1.71	2.22
8	3	3	1.87	1.80
9A	4	3	2.65	2.02
9B	3	3	2.30	1.95
11A	3	4	1.50	2.30
11B	4	5	2.28	2.08
12A	4	6	2.91	3.00
12B	3	6	2.01	3.78
13	2	4	0.90	2.57
14	2	6	1.58	3.00
15A	5	6	3.76	3.74
15B	2	5	0.78	3.27
16A	2	2	0.14	0.23
16B	3	2	2.19	1.57
16C	2	2	0.20	0.45
17	2	2	0.13	0.17
18A	4	9	2.81	5.13
18B	3	4	1.54	2.04
19	5	9	4.27	6.05
21A	3	8	2.11	5.30
21B	4	6	3.27	3.79
22	8	7	6.07	6.97
23	9	8	5.79	7.29
24	no guarantee	no guarantee	9.14	8.83
25	3	2	1.83	0.26
26	no guarantee	7	11.83	4.73
27	6	8	5.32	5.40
28	8	10	5.53	6.51
29	8	10	6.75	6.96
30	9	8	7.17	6.75
31	no guarantee	no guarantee	11.30	10.34
32	10	9	7.58	7.29
33	9	9	7.25	4.20
34	no guarantee	9	10.20	8.60
35	no guarantee	no guarantee	9.61	8.49
36	9	9	6.99	7.30
37	no guarantee	no guarantee	19.44	10.80
38	9	no guarantee	6.75	5.58
39	10	no guarantee	7.11	7.12
40	no guarantee	no guarantee	11.55	10.98
41	no guarantee	9	9.50	7.09

WMU	POOL 1 CHOICE 1 GROUP SIZE GUARANTEE FOR 1998		ACTUAL POOL 1 CHOICE 1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO IN 1997	
	BULL TAGS	COW TAGS	BULL RATIO	COW RATIO
42	no guarantee	10	16.18	9.56
46	no guarantee	7	8.90	3.67
47	no guarantee	no guarantee	8.49	7.29
48	9	no guarantee	7.19	11.09
49	no guarantee	no guarantee	20.28	20.96
50	7	10	5.93	6.82
53	no guarantee	no guarantee	9.50	10.53
54	2	9	1.51	5.85
55A	no guarantee	no guarantee	17.07	18.00
55B	no guarantee	no guarantee	8.44	9.63
56	7	9	5.79	6.80
57	10	10	5.38	8.60
58	5	4	3.80	3.00
60	no guarantee	no guarantee	11.02	13.27
61	8	no guarantee	5.37	6.55
62	5		2.40	0.00
63	8	6	5.20	3.30

ARCHERY GUARANTEED GROUP SIZE FOR 1998

WMU	POOL 1 CHOICE 1 GROUP SIZE GUARANTEE FOR 1998		ACTUAL POOL 1 CHOICE 1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO IN 1997	
	BULL TAGS	COW TAGS	BULL RATIO	COW RATIO
2	2	-	0.00	-
3	2	2	0.52	0.00
4	2	2	0.60	0.50
5	2	2	0.65	0.50
6	2	2	0.20	0.25
7B	2	2	0.50	0.00
8	2	2	0.34	1.00
9A	2	2	0.47	0.00
9B	2	2	0.20	0.00
11A	2	2	0.25	1.00
12A	2	2	0.76	1.67
12B	2	2	1.56	0.17
13	2	2	1.39	0.24
14	2	2	0.07	0.33
15A	2	2	0.75	0.20
15B	2	2	0.64	0.29
18A	2	2	0.31	0.40
19	2	2	0.30	0.57
21A	2	2	0.96	0.45
21B	2	2	1.68	0.39
23	6	2	2.18	0.48
24	4	2	1.83	0.44
29	5	2	3.93	0.66
38	8	2	5.14	0.76

Special Moose Hunt for Hunters with Lower Limb Disabilities

For the seventh year a special season for hunters who are permanently incapable of walking will be held before the regular gun hunt in WMU 11B. A limited number of opportunities are available for 1998.

The first openings in the hunt will go to hunters who are permanently incapable of walking and hold an adult moose validation tag for WMU 11B. Remaining opportunities will be available to hunters who are permanently incapable of walking and are interested in hunting calves.

For more information regarding this special hunt, please contact the MNR's Thunder Bay District Office, 435 James Street South, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7E 6E3, Telephone (807) 475-1462.

F O R E S T F I R E S

To report a forest fire in Ontario, you may call toll free and your call will be directed to the Ministry of Natural Resources Regional Fire Response Centre, within the area code you are calling from.

In the 705 telephone area code (north of the French/Mattawa River System) call:
1-888-863-FIRE.

In the 807 telephone area code (northwestern Ontario) call:
1-888-284-FIRE.

WOODLAND CARIBOU

Woodland Caribou once ranged across much of northern Ontario as far south as the French River. Several factors including habitat change, hunting and higher densities of moose and subsequent increases in the number of wolves have worked together to reduce caribou numbers and the range they inhabit. Caribou are still common in northern forests in Ontario from the Manitoba and Quebec borders and are occasionally seen by hunters and other forest travellers.

Caribou are an important component of northern forest ecosystems. There is a renewed commitment by the Ontario government to ensure Woodland Caribou and their habitat are managed wisely now and in the future. Hunters can help us achieve this goal by reporting caribou sightings to a Ministry of Natural Resources office and by being sure of their target when hunting.

CARIBOU

dew claw imprint —



10 cm ±

50-100 cm to next track →

MOOSE



14 cm ±

60-150 cm to next track →

WHITE-TAILED DEER



8 cm ±

51 cm ± to next track →

1997 ADULT MOOSE VALIDATION TAG DRAW PROVINCIAL SUMMARY

GENERAL DRAW STATISTICS

Total tags available	20,592
Total applicants entered in the draw	100,731
Total successful applicants (tags issued)	18,485
Total unsuccessful applicants	82,246
Total surplus tags	2,107
Tags available	
Gun Bull	14,320
Gun Cow	4,920
Archery Bull	957
Archery Cow	395
Total	20,592

GROUP STATISTICS

Total number of hunter groups (2 or more hunters)	7,341
Average group size	4.48
Percentage of hunters applying in groups	32.6
Total numbers of hunters in groups	32,884
Total number of successful groups	4,479
Total number of successful hunters in groups	21,726
Successful groups	
Gun Bull	3,241
Gun Cow	1,081
Archery Bull	136
Archery Cow	21
Total tags issued to groups	4,479
Percentage of groups receiving tags	61%

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Total number of hunters applying as individuals	79,032
Successful Individuals	
Gun Bull	9,506
Gun Cow	3,321
Archery Bull	819
Archery Cow	360
Total tags issued to individuals	14,006
Percentage of individuals receiving tags ..	17.7%

**1997 MOOSE DRAW
STATISTICS - GUN BULL & COW APPLICANTS**

**APPLICANTS WITH ACCESS TO A TAG
IN ALL POOLS AND CHOICES**

WMU	QUOTA		# OF P1C1 APPLICANTS		P1C1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO		# OF POOL 1 GROUPS OF REQUIRED SIZE		IN SUCCESSFUL GROUPS		WHO APPLIED INDIVIDUALLY		TOTALS	
	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW
1A	20	20	0	0	0.0	0.0	-	-	0	0	1	3	1	3
1C	1600	550	15	12	0.0	0.0	-	-	0	0	111	68	111	68
1D	5	5	1	0	0.2	0.0	-	-	0	0	5	1	5	1
2	120	45	64	49	0.5	1.1	1	-	15	11	115	41	130	52
3	300	100	426	203	1.4	2.0	39	25	100	76	261	75	361	151
4	255	85	414	192	1.6	2.3	74	15	176	72	181	65	357	137
5	340	110	936	292	2.8	2.7	96	11	389	67	227	92	616	159
6	140	65	161	77	1.2	1.2	8	5	28	17	132	60	160	77
7A	150	50	19	28	0.1	0.6	-	-	3	6	149	48	152	54
7B	185	50	316	111	1.7	2.2	29	4	68	27	156	42	224	69
8	310	160	580	288	1.9	1.8	55	36	143	93	255	124	398	217
9A	130	50	344	101	2.6	2.0	19	8	112	23	94	42	206	65
9B	60	20	138	39	2.3	2.0	8	2	45	6	48	18	93	24
11A	60	20	90	46	1.5	2.3	9	-	23	0	51	20	74	20
11B	115	65	262	135	2.3	2.1	19	20	79	60	88	45	167	105
12A	130	35	378	105	2.9	3.0	41	8	180	36	79	26	259	62
12B	425	125	853	473	2.01	3.8	100	24	282	176	325	88	607	264
13	1255	350	1134	901	0.9	2.6	-	24	160	159	1215	306	1375	465
14	33	9	52	27	1.6	3.0	7	-	15	2	26	9	41	11
15A	250	85	940	318	3.8	3.7	86	22	480	154	144	55	624	209
15B	1480	340	1150	1111	0.8	3.3	34	39	469	395	1349	241	1818	636
16A	115	40	16	9	0.1	0.2	-	1	6	3	111	39	117	42
16B	70	30	153	47	2.2	1.6	27	6	76	19	43	24	119	43
16C	280	120	55	54	0.2	0.5	-	3	25	38	269	108	294	146
17	253	150	33	25	0.1	0.2	-	-	9	8	189	131	205	139
18A	70	8	197	41	2.8	5.1	22	-	109	0	39	8	148	8
18B	79	25	122	51	1.5	2.0	21	6	47	18	58	19	105	37
19	119	22	508	133	4.3	6.0	39	2	223	19	73	19	296	38
21A	639	91	1349	482	2.1	5.3	273	5	673	91	366	73	1039	164
21B	630	115	2060	436	3.3	3.8	293	16	1170	102	317	92	1487	194
22	75	30	455	209	6.1	7.0	13	5	128	85	54	17	182	102
23	90	35	521	255	5.8	7.3	5	1	57	35	80	30	137	65
24	65	35	594	309	9.1	8.8	1	4	35	58	61	27	96	85
25	40	90	73	23	1.8	0.3	9	3	27	19	31	85	58	104
26	30	15	355	71	11.8	4.7	0*	3	96	22	17	12	113	34
27	210	40	1118	216	5.3	5.4	44	3	467	29	133	36	600	65
28	593	189	3279	1231	5.5	6.5	125	43	1249	450	384	125	1633	575
29	283	114	1910	794	6.7	7.0	43	11	563	165	197	86	760	251
30	155	110	1111	743	7.2	6.8	18	10	206	248	124	70	330	318
31	93	41	1051	424	11.3	10.3	0*	0*	119	75	72	29	191	104
32	53	38	402	277	7.6	7.3	3	-	58	57	43	29	101	86
33	40	5	290	21	7.3	4.2	8	1	112	5	24	4	136	9
34	20	5	204	43	10.2	8.6	0	-	47	0	13	5	60	5
35	150	65	1441	52	9.6	8.5	-	-	148	72	119	53	267	125
36	140	50	978	365	6.9	7.3	21	4	239	67	105	40	344	107
37	16	15	311	162	19.4	10.8	0*	0*	12	6	14	14	26	20
38	335	135	2262	753	6.8	5.6	17	8	532	160	235	100	767	260
39	145	85	1031	605	7.1	7.1	21	5	240	237	112	47	352	284
40	165	120	1906	1318	11.6	11.0	0*	0*	283	328	125	72	408	400
41	210	280	1996	1984	9.5	7.1	6	54	239	841	177	147	416	988
42	55	50	890	478	16.2	9.6	0*	3	38	53	47	44	85	97
46	30	15	267	55	8.9	3.7	8	-	104	9	18	13	122	22
47	175	55	1486	401	8.5	7.3	40	13	763	179	80	31	843	210
48	305	45	2194	499	7.2	11.1	118	0*	1257	62	140	36	1397	98

STATISTICS - GUN BULL & COW APPLICANTS (cont'd)

WMU	QUOTA		# OF P1C1 APPLICANTS		P1C1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO		# OF POOL 1 GROUPS OF REQUIRED SIZE		IN SUCCESSFUL GROUPS		WHO APPLIED INDIVIDUALLY		TOTALS	
	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW
49	68	25	1379	524	20	21.0	0*	0*	268	58	33	18	301	76
50	230	60	1364	409	5.9	6.8	85	14	847	173	90	37	937	210
53	50	15	475	158	9.5	10.5	2	0*	204	59	25	7	229	66
54	500	100	757	585	1.5	5.9	-	33	602	352	297	46	899	398
55A	28	5	478	90	17.1	18.0	0*	0*	123	15	14	3	137	18
55B	18	8	152	77	8.4	9.6	4	2	46	20	12	6	58	26
56	125	35	724	238	5.8	6.8	77	13	530	123	42	20	572	143
57	80	15	430	129	5.4	8.6	32	3	274	54	37	9	311	63
58	10	10	38	30	3.8	3.0	2	1	8	5	8	8	16	13
60	55	15	606	199	11.0	13.3	0*	0*	69	37	45	10	114	47
61	60	20	322	131	5.4	6.6	5	-	160	22	29	15	189	37
62	10	0	24	8	2.4	0.0	5	-	17	0	5	0	22	0
63	25	10	130	33	5.2	3.3	7	-	47	9	17	8	64	17
TOTALS	14350	4920	45770	20185					15319	5867	9536	3321	24862	9188

* Hunter: Tag Ratio at P1C1 was greater than 10 to 1, the current group size maximum. Therefore there was no Large Group Allocation only a random draw among all applicants

1997 MOOSE DRAW ARCHERY STATISTICS

PER CENT CHANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUPS SMALLER THAN THE HUNTER: TAG RATIO AND TOTAL APPLICANTS FOR EACH POOL AND CHOICE

WMU	BULL TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP								COW TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP							
	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE
2	0	100%	2	100%	3	100%	7	78%	0	—	0	—	0	—	0	—
3	13	100%	4	100%	38	32%	16	0%	0	100%	5	100%	3	100%	17	78%
4	6	100%	6	100%	21	19%	13	0%	1	100%	2	100%	2	100%	9	100%
5	36	100%	18	100%	47	36%	29	0%	5	100%	11	100%	10	50%	21	0%
6	2	100%	6	100%	14	57%	14	0%	1	100%	1	100%	4	100%	7	0%
7B	5	100%	2	100%	9	36%	6	0%	0	100%	3	100%	1	100%	10	100%
8	12	100%	17	100%	36	59%	23	0%	2	100%	4	100%	2	95%	13	0%
9A	7	100%	7	100%	11	64%	17	0%	0	100%	3	100%	4	100%	6	100%
9B	3	100%	3	100%	13	85%	5	0%	0	100%	0	100%	0	100%	4	100%
11A	5	100%	8	100%	12	100%	9	23%	2	100%	2	100%	2	100%	7	100%
12A	19	100%	14	100%	30	22%	26	0%	5	100%	10	100%	3	100%	17	25%
12B	39	83%	20	0%	30	0%	26	0%	1	100%	6	100%	6	22%	14	0%
13	97	77%	38	0%	85	0%	55	0%	7	100%	36	100%	29	100%	35	37%
14	1	100%	3	100%	16	81%	5	0%	1	100%	0	100%	3	100%	3	100%
15A	30	100%	20	100%	49	15%	25	0%	3	100%	13	100%	15	15%	17	0%
15B	48	100%	41	100%	83	17%	52	0%	4	100%	17	100%	14	100%	32	9%
18A	11	100%	7	100%	22	100%	20	100%	4	100%	8	100%	10	80%	16	0%
19	36	100%	40	100%	90	94%	55	0%	12	100%	23	100%	21	95%	43	0%
21A	65	100%	53	92%	51	0%	61	0%	9	100%	37	100%	20	35%	30	0%
21B	134	70%	57	0%	87	0%	47	0%	12	100%	70	95%	31	0%	45	0%
23	120	23%	62	0%	65	0%	50	0%	11	100%	48	90%	23	0%	37	0%
24	97	38%	67	0%	72	0%	38	0%	8	75%	42	0%	18	0%	35	0%
29	468	28%	240	0%	234	0%	135	0%	63	100%	217	28%	95	0%	150	0%
38	180	22%	88	0%	119	0%	54	0%	19	100%	103	8%	25	0%	84	0%
TOTALS	1434		823		1237		788		170		661		341		652	

1997 MOOSE DRAW GUN STATISTICS

PER CENT CHANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUPS SMALLER THAN THE HUNTER: TAG RATIO AND TOTAL APPLICANTS FOR EACH POOL AND CHOICE

WMU	BULL TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP								COW TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP							
	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE
1A	0	100%	0	100%	0	100%	2	100%	0	100%	0	100%	1	100%	2	100%
1C	15	100%	22	100%	82	100%	59	100%	12	100%	16	100%	48	100%	61	100%
1D	1	100%	1	100%	1	100%	3	6%	0	100%	1	100%	1	100%	0	100%
2	64	100%	88	100%	141	36%	135	0%	49	100%	45	0%	51	0%	97	0%
3	426	76%	307	0%	340	0%	257	0%	203	57%	310	0%	158	0%	227	0%
4	414	71%	283	0%	329	0%	223	0%	192	51%	254	0%	117	0%	188	0%
5	936	41%	513	0%	493	0%	311	0%	292	42%	625	0%	192	0%	333	0%
6	161	91%	153	0%	189	0%	137	0%	77	92%	125	0%	75	0%	138	0%
7A	19	100%	26	100%	118	100%	94	23%	28	100%	27	100%	67	36%	81	0%
7B	316	62%	178	0%	317	0%	143	0%	111	50%	200	0%	76	0%	206	0%
8	580	57%	457	0%	402	0%	251	0%	288	60%	435	0%	211	0%	317	0%
9A	344	42%	205	0%	191	0%	167	0%	101	52%	219	0%	79	0%	138	0%
9B	138	48%	90	0%	95	0%	55	0%	39	53%	76	0%	31	0%	72	0%
11A	90	76%	118	0%	125	0%	99	0%	46	43%	72	0%	54	0%	87	0%
11B	262	49%	175	0%	180	0%	148	0%	135	60%	183	0%	79	0%	132	0%
12A	378	40%	307	0%	219	0%	212	0%	105	37%	244	0%	86	0%	151	0%
12B	853	55%	656	0%	620	0%	429	0%	473	30%	517	0%	285	0%	386	0%
13	1134	100%	1231	29%	1374	0%	1045	0%	901	41%	787	0%	634	0%	839	0%
14	52	70%	33	0%	34	0%	57	0%	27	33%	26	0%	34	0%	25	0%
15A	940	33%	500	0%	401	0%	290	0%	318	34%	604	0%	172	0%	244	0%
15B	1150	100%	1392	91%	1583	0%	1205	0%	1111	36%	886	0%	608	0%	896	0%
16A	16	100%	24	100%	71	100%	58	100%	9	100%	10	100%	36	91%	41	0%
16B	153	55%	80	0%	88	0%	60	0%	47	83%	116	0%	29	0%	62	0%
16C	55	100%	63	100%	194	100%	218	34%	54	100%	58	100%	136	60%	134	0%
17	33	100%	36	100%	122	100%	121	100%	25	100%	35	100%	89	100%	110	100%
18A	197	42%	114	0%	132	0%	86	0%	41	19%	107	0%	35	0%	73	0%
18B	122	72%	131	0%	123	0%	87	0%	51	53%	89	0%	64	0%	93	0%
19	508	27%	295	0%	206	0%	159	0%	133	17%	290	0%	79	0%	112	0%
21A	1349	51%	1070	0%	740	0%	505	0%	482	20%	794	0%	277	0%	436	0%
21B	2060	36%	998	0%	848	0%	490	0%	436	29%	1275	0%	325	0%	599	0%
22	455	18%	292	0%	146	0%	105	0%	209	18%	359	0%	64	0%	119	0%
23	521	18%	293	0%	189	0%	109	0%	255	15%	424	0%	79	0%	122	0%
24	594	11%	402	0%	258	0%	159	0%	309	12%	469	0%	81	0%	195	0%
25	73	63%	53	0%	65	0%	68	0%	23	100%	79	100%	59	78%	79	0%
26	355	11%	167	0%	127	0%	68	0%	71	24%	255	0%	41	0%	98	0%
27	1118	21%	461	0%	337	0%	213	0%	216	19%	799	0%	128	0%	224	0%
28	3279	21%	1774	0%	1031	0%	567	0%	1231	18%	2524	0%	468	0%	815	0%
29	1910	17%	1152	0%	716	0%	449	0%	794	15%	1612	0%	348	0%	586	0%
30	1111	15%	859	0%	413	0%	291	0%	743	18%	989	0%	247	0%	379	0%
31	1051	10%	562	0%	337	0%	206	0%	424	11%	765	0%	125	0%	256	0%
32	402	14%	293	0%	169	0%	116	0%	277	16%	324	0%	79	0%	130	0%
33	290	17%	153	0%	77	0%	56	0%	21	25%	149	0%	25	0%	51	0%
34	204	12%	80	0%	54	0%	25	0%	43	12%	142	0%	12	0%	45	0%
35	1441	11%	812	0%	457	0%	256	0%	552	13%	1063	0%	170	0%	320	0%
36	978	16%	520	0%	331	0%	190	0%	365	15%	709	0%	119	0%	247	0%
37	311	6%	221	0%	98	0%	97	0%	162	10%	248	0%	57	0%	103	0%
38	2262	17%	1159	0%	919	0%	490	0%	753	20%	1833	0%	375	0%	750	0%
39	1031	15%	720	0%	338	0%	256	0%	605	19%	869	0%	224	0%	291	0%
40	1906	10%	1442	0%	571	0%	459	0%	1318	11%	1734	0%	383	0%	535	0%
41	1996	11%	1825	0%	811	0%	590	0%	1984	18%	2042	0%	552	0%	745	0%
42	890	6%	532	0%	357	0%	200	0%	478	11%	744	0%	202	0%	274	0%
46	267	13%	138	0%	87	0%	72	0%	55	29%	199	0%	59	0%	74	0%

GUN STATISTICS (cont'd)

BULL TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP									COW TAG APPLICATIONS AND PER CENT CHANCE AT EACH STEP							
WMU	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE	APPS P1C1	P1C1 %CHANCE	APPS P1C2	P1C2 %CHANCE	APPS P2C1	P2C1 %CHANCE	APPS P2C2	P2C2 %CHANCE
47	1486	16%	683	0%	533	0%	298	0%	401	16%	993	0%	232	0%	391	0%
48	2194	18%	1126	0%	586	0%	407	0%	499	10%	1392	0%	273	0%	391	0%
49	1379	6%	725	0%	447	0%	223	0%	524	5%	960	0%	180	0%	345	0%
50	1364	23%	735	0%	477	0%	317	0%	409	18%	818	0%	221	0%	338	0%
53	475	15%	259	0%	191	0%	117	0%	158	13%	313	0%	78	0%	120	0%
54	757	100%	706	11%	510	0%	379	0%	585	23%	582	0%	317	0%	341	0%
55A	478	7%	187	0%	158	0%	91	0%	90	6%	291	0%	40	0%	94	0%
55B	152	13%	90	0%	64	0%	40	0%	77	10%	133	0%	26	0%	47	0%
56	724	23%	442	0%	276	0%	178	0%	238	19%	463	0%	108	0%	160	0%
57	430	26%	262	0%	192	0%	144	0%	129	14%	280	0%	84	0%	136	0%
58	38	27%	57	0%	20	0%	27	0%	30	35%	45	0%	18	0%	22	0%
60	606	10%	309	0%	278	0%	193	0%	199	8%	435	0%	115	0%	202	0%
61	322	26%	223	0%	210	0%	151	0%	131	17%	240	0%	131	0%	162	0%
62	24	50%	34	0%	33	0%	27	0%	8	0%	16	0%	9	0%	14	0%
63	130	21%	91	0%	86	0%	66	0%	33	33%	97	0%	29	0%	65	0%
TOTALS																
45770			29385		21707		14806		20185		33815		9887		15546	

1997 MOOSE DRAW STATISTICS - ARCHERY BULL & COW APPLICANTS

									APPLICANTS WITH ACCESS TO A TAG IN ALL POOLS AND CHOICES					
WMU	QUOTA		# OF P1C1 APPLICANTS		P1C1 HUNTER: TAG RATIO		# OF POOL 1 GROUPS OF REQUIRED SIZE		IN SUCCESSFUL GROUPS		WHO APPLIED INDIVIDUALLY		TOTALS	
	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW	BULL	COW
2	5	0	0	0	0.0	-	-	-	0	0	5	0	5	-
3	25	5	13	0	0.5	0.0	-	-	2	0	24	5	26	5
4	10	10	6	1	0.6	0.1	-	-	0	0	10	9	10	9
5	55	10	36	5	0.7	0.5	1	-	3	0	54	10	57	10
6	10	5	2	1	0.2	0.2	-	-	0	0	10	5	10	5
7B	10	5	5	0	0.5	0.0	1	-	2	0	9	4	11	4
8	35	5	12	2	0.3	0.4	1	-	2	0	34	5	36	5
9A	15	5	7	0	0.5	0.0	-	-	0	0	15	4	15	4
9B	15	5	3	0	0.2	0.0	-	-	1	0	15	1	16	1
11A	20	10	5	2	0.3	0.2	-	-	4	0	18	6	22	6
12A	25	10	19	5	0.8	0.5	-	-	5	5	23	9	28	14
12B	25	5	39	1	1.6	0.2	6	2	16	5	19	5	35	10
13	70	50	97	7	1.4	0.1	7	-	16	7	63	48	79	55
14	15	10	1	1	0.1	0.1	-	-	0	0	13	6	13	6
15A	40	10	30	3	0.8	0.3	-	-	4	2	39	10	43	12
15B	65	20	48	4	0.7	0.2	-	-	3	7	64	20	67	27
18A	35	12	11	4	0.3	0.3	-	-	7	5	31	12	38	17
19	120	30	36	12	0.3	0.4	2	-	18	3	114	29	132	32
21A	68	17	65	9	1.0	0.5	-	-	18	10	60	16	78	26
21B	80	20	134	12	1.7	0.6	23	-	56	4	57	19	113	23
23	25	40	120	11	4.8	0.3	1	-	21	6	19	38	40	44
24	35	6	97	8	2.8	1.3	6	-	23	0	27	5	50	5
29	119	85	468	63	3.9	0.7	33	-	208	28	68	78	276	106
38	35	20	180	19	5.1	1.0	0	2	41	5	26	16	67	21
TOTALS	957	395	1434	170					450	87	817	360	1267	447

1998 MOOSE VALIDATION TAG DRAW QUOTAS
GUN TAGS AVAILABLE FOR 1998

WMU	BULLS	COWS	TOTALS
1A	20	20	40
1C	1600	550	2150
1D	5	5	10
2	120	45	165
3	300	100	400
4	255	85	340
5	340	110	450
6	140	65	205
7A	100	30	130
7B	200	60	660
8	320	140	460
9A	125	50	175
9B	65	20	85
11A	60	20	80
11B	95	35	130
12A	125	30	155
12B	425	125	550
13	1225	350	1661
14	33	9	42
15A	260	80	340
15B	1430	330	1760
16A	115	40	155
16B	85	35	120
16C	280	120	400
17	253	150	403
18A	70	8	78
18B	79	25	104
19	119	22	141
21A	639	91	730
21B	630	115	745
22	75	40	115
23	70	38	108
24	78	26	104
25	40	90	130
26	30	15	45
27	210	40	250
28	504	158	782
29	283	114	397
30	155	110	265
31	107	49	156
32	53	38	91
33	40	5	45
34	20	5	25
35	150	65	215
36	140	50	190
37	25	20	45
38	335	90	470
39	125	50	115

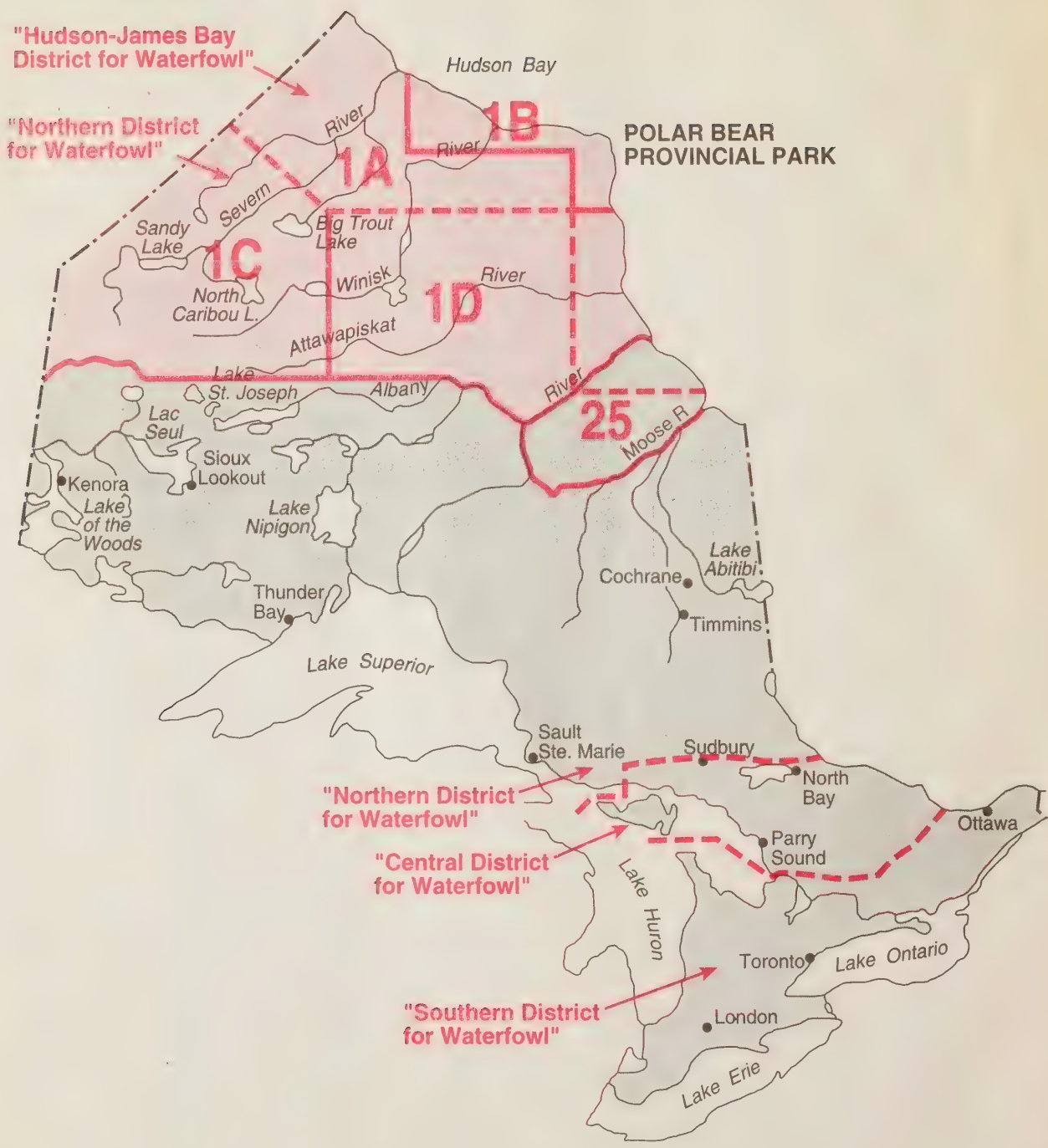
WMU	BULLS	COWS	TOTALS
40	185	110	283
41	210	280	490
42	104	67	171
46	32	16	48
47	175	55	230
48	305	45	350
49	68	25	93
50	245	60	305
53	50	15	65
54	500	100	600
55A	26	6	33
55B	18	8	26
56	125	35	160
57	60	20	95
58	10	10	20
60	50	20	70
61	60	20	80
62	10	0	10
63	25	10	35
TOTALS	14611	4770	19381

ARCHERY TAGS AVAILABLE FOR 1998

WMU	BULLS	COWS	TOTALS
2	5	0	5
3	25	5	30
4	10	10	20
5	55	10	65
6	10	5	15
7B	10	5	15
8	35	5	40
9A	15	5	20
9B	15	5	20
11A	20	10	30
12A	25	10	35
12B	25	5	30
13	70	50	120
14	15	10	25
15A	40	10	50
15B	75	20	95
18A	35	12	47
19	120	30	150
21A	68	17	85
21B	80	20	100
23	24	40	64
24	33	17	50
29	119	85	204
38	35	20	55
TOTALS	964	406	1370

WATERFOWL SEASONS

MAP 4



WATERFOWL SEASONS

Waterfowl seasons subject to the following:

1. (a) "HUDSON-JAMES BAY DISTRICT" means that part of Ontario comprising WMUs 1A and 1B and those portions of WMUs 1D and 25 lying east of longitude 83° 45' and north of latitude 51° 50'.
 - (b) "NORTHERN DISTRICT" means that part of Ontario comprising WMUs 1C, those portions of WMUs 1D and 25 lying west of longitude 83° 45' and south of latitude 51° 50', WMUs 2 to 24 inclusive, 26 to 41 inclusive, and 45.
 - (c) "CENTRAL DISTRICT" means that part of Ontario comprising WMUs 42 to 44 inclusive, 46 to 50 inclusive, and 53 to 59 inclusive.
 - (d) "SOUTHERN DISTRICT" means that part of Ontario comprising WMUs 60A, and 61 to 95 inclusive.
2. In the Southern District there is no open season for geese in that portion of the Township of Camden East in the County of Lennox and Addington described as follows:

Starting at the intersection of the westerly limit of County Road No. 4 and the road from Centreville to Enterprise; then

3.058 km southerly to the main travelled road to Moscow; then 6.759 km easterly to the road running northwesterly between the east and west halves of Lot 41, Concession V; then 0.966 km northwesterly to the former Napanee Tamworth and Quebec Railway right-of-way; then 5.150 km northwesterly to the road running southerly from Enterprise to Centreville; then 7.564 km southeasterly to the starting point.

3. The open season does not apply to the following areas:
 - (a) that portion of the Township of Norfolk in the Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk shown as the Big Creek National Wildlife Area and shown as Part 1 on the designated Plan R.17 deposited in the Registry Division of Norfolk;
 - (b) that portion of the Township of Dover West in the County of Kent consisting of Lots 1 to 3 inclusive in the Fourth Concession of the said Township of Dover West;
 - (c) that portion of Lake St. Clair, Rondeau Bay in the County of Kent and that portion of Long Point Bay on Lake Erie that lies westerly of a line extending from the confluence of the waters of Lake Erie with the waters of Cottage Creek across

the most westerly extremity of Whitefish Bar Island to the intersection with the southerly shore of Turkey Point, situated beyond 300 metres from the shore or a natural rush bed or a water line that forms a boundary of private property;

- (d) that portion of the St. Lawrence River within the Lake St. Francis and the islands contained therein, lying between the easterly boundary of the dam at the site of the Robert H. Saunders Generating Station and Point St. Louis and the Interprovincial Boundary between Ontario and Quebec, situated beyond 300 metres from the shore of the mainland or of any island contained within the said area or from any natural rush bed, or water line that forms a boundary of private property; and
- (e) that portion of the Township of Norfolk in the Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk described as follows:

The east quarter of Lot 7 and the west half of Lot 8 extending south of Regional Road number 42 to the adjacent northern boundary of the Long Point Conservation Authority Marsh described in instrument number 359664 deposited in the Registry Division of Norfolk.

BOATING TIPS FOR HUNTERS

- In spring and fall when water temperatures are low, your chances of survival if you fall overboard are considerably reduced. Remain with your boat and try to pull yourself out of the water.
- Don't wear open-top rubber boots or waders. You're sure to sink if you fall overboard. Carry a pair of ankle boots to wear in the boat.
- Watch your hunting dog. A rowdy retriever can capsize a boat. Keep your dog quiet and under control.
- Don't stand up in a small boat. If you want to change places, or if Mother Nature calls, go ashore.

See regulations regarding "Use of Vehicles or Vessels" on page 7.

WATERFOWL SEASONS

Note: These seasons are tentative. Before hunting please check Migratory Birds Regulations (Federal)

District	Open Seasons		
	Ducks, Rails (other than Harlequin Ducks & King Rails), Gallinule, Snipe & Coots	Geese* (including Brant)	Woodcock
Hudson-James Bay District	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15	Sept. 1 to Dec. 15
Northern District	Sept. 15 to Dec. 20	Sept. 1 to Sept. 10(a) and Sept. 15 to Dec. 20	Sept. 15 to Dec. 20
Central District	Sept. 19 to Dec. 20	Sept. 19 to Dec. 20	Sept. 19 to Dec. 20
Southern District	Sept. 25 to Dec. 20	(b) see table of Goose Open Seasons - Southern District	Sept. 25 to Dec. 20

(a) In Wildlife Management Units 36 and 45.

* Before hunting, check Federal Regulations for possible changes to season opening dates and bag and possession limits.

REPORTING OF BANDED BIRDS: A new toll free telephone number is available to report banded birds. If you retrieve a banded bird, please call 1-800-327-BAND (1-800-327-2263) and provide your information. Banding information is very important for the management of migratory birds.

(b) GOOSE OPEN SEASONS - SOUTHERN DISTRICT

WMU(s)	Seasons(s)
60A, 64A, 68, 70 to 75, 79, 80, 87 to 90	Sept. 25 to Dec. 30 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
61 to 63, 66, 67, 95	Sept. 25 to Dec. 30
64B, 69A	Sept. 8 to Sept. 19 and Nov. 6 to Dec. 31 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
65, 69B	Sept. 8 to Sept. 19 and Nov. 6 to Dec. 31
76 to 78, 81	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Sept. 25 to Dec. 31
82 to 84	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Oct. 15 to Dec. 31 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
85, 86	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Oct. 15 to Dec. 31
91, 92	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Sept. 25 to Dec. 20 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
93A	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Oct. 15 to Dec. 31 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
93	Oct. 15 to Dec. 31 and Jan. 15 to Jan. 23
94B (Malden Township)	Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 and Oct. 31 to Dec. 31
94	Oct. 31 to Dec. 31

NON-TOXIC ZONES: See the Federal Summary of Migratory Birds Hunting Regulations, 1998.

NON-TOXIC SHOT INFORMATION: Information about non-toxic shot regulations, use and availability can be obtained toll free by calling the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre, Midland, Ontario at 1-800-267-5171.

DAILY AND POSSESSION LIMITS

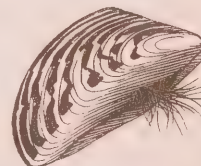
Note: Red-breasted, American and hooded mergansers must be included in Daily and Possession Limits for ducks.

Limits	Ducks (other than Harlequin Ducks)	Geese (including Brant)	Rails (other than King Rails), Coots, Gallinules and Snipe	Woodcock
Daily Bag	6(a)(b)(c)	5(d)(e)(f)(g)(h)	10	8
Possession	12(a)(b)(c)	10(d)(e)(f)(g)(h)	20	16

- (a) Not more than one Black Duck may be taken daily and not more than two Black Ducks may be possessed in Central and Southern Districts and not more than two Black Ducks may be taken daily and not more than four Black Ducks may be possessed in Hudson-James Bay and Northern Districts.
- (b) Not more than four Canvasbacks may be taken daily and not more than eight Canvasbacks may be possessed.
- (c) Not more than four Redheads may be taken daily and not more than eight Redheads may be possessed.
- (d) Not more than two Canada Geese may be taken daily and not more than four Canada Geese may be possessed in that portion of Wildlife Management Unit 1D in Hudson-James Bay District, and in Wildlife Management Units 23 to 32 inclusive, and 37 to 41 inclusive.
- (e) Three additional Snow Geese may be taken daily and 14 additional Snow Geese may be possessed in Hudson-James Bay and Northern Districts.
- (f) Not more than one Canada Goose may be taken daily and not more than two Canada Geese may be possessed in Wildlife Management Unit 94 from October 31 to December 31 inclusive.
- (g) Not more than three Canada Geese may be taken daily and not more than six Canada Geese may be possessed in Wildlife Management Units 64B, 65 and 69 from November 6 to December 31 inclusive.
- (h) Three additional Canada Geese may be taken daily and 14 additional Canada Geese may be possessed in Wildlife Management Units 36 and 45 from September 1 to September 10 inclusive; in Wildlife Management Units 76 to 78 inclusive, 81 to 86 inclusive, 91, 92, 93A and 94B from September 8 to September 12 inclusive; in Wildlife Management Units 64B, 65 and 69 from September 8 to September 19 inclusive; and in Wildlife Management Units 60A, 64, 68 69A, 70 to 75 inclusive, 79, 80, 82 to 84 inclusive, and 87 to 93 inclusive from January 15 to January 23 inclusive.

PRECAUTIONS FOR WATERFOWL HUNTERS TO AVOID SPREADING HARMFUL EXOTIC SPECIES

Exotic species such as zebra mussels and Eurasian watermilfoil can damage habitat for fish, waterfowl and other wildlife. Waterfowl hunters should be aware that it is possible to inadvertently transport exotic species in or on boats and trailers, as well as decoys. Waterfowlers should assume that any aquatic plant parts could be potentially harmful and should not be transported from one marsh, lake, or river to another. Also, zebra mussels and their tiny larvae can attach themselves to aquatic plants. If aquatic plant fragments are transported, they could inadvertently transport zebra mussels.



Bell Museum, Univ of Minnesota

What waterfowl hunters can do to help:

Before the hunting season

- ✓ Switch to elliptical, bulb-shaped, or strap anchors on decoys, which don't collect submersed and floating aquatic plants as easily.
- ✓ If you have moored a boat in waters infested with zebra mussels, follow these tips for removing or killing zebra mussels that might be in or on your boat:

Remove any visible zebra mussels; and

- wash boat with hot water; or
- spray boat with high pressure water; or
- dry all parts of the boat for at least five days.

Before hunting

- ✓ Drain the water from boats before transporting to another waterbody.
- ✓ Remove aquatic plants or animals that are attached to decoy lines and anchors (mussels could be in sediment attached to boat or decoy anchors).

After hunting

- ✓ Inspect equipment for any aquatic plants and animals that were not removed after hunting; remove and place them in a compost bin or refuse container.

A POACHER IS A THIEF

Ontario's wildlife and fisheries are an important part of our natural heritage. Our game and fish laws help sustain these resources for today's users, and for our children and future generations.

Breaking these laws by poaching is a crime.

Help protect the future of hunting and fishing in Ontario by getting involved.

If you see a poacher, call Crime Stoppers. For any other hunting/fishing information or enquiries, please contact your local Ministry of Natural Resources office (p. 51).

Crime Stoppers and MNR encourage hunters and anglers to provide the authorities with information about poaching and other crimes. Crime Stoppers gives you complete anonymity and, with the arrest of offenders, a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

By helping Crime Stoppers, you can help reduce the harm caused to our fisheries, wildlife, forests and communities by poaching and other crimes.

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You now can call your Crime Stoppers new number CANADA-wide.

1-800-222-TIPS

GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN THIS SUMMARY

ANTLERLESS DEER: Deer that have no antlers or antlers that are less than 7.5 cm (3 inches) long. Generally, they include adult female deer and fawns of both sexes.

CONTROLLED HUNT: Hunts in which the total number of hunters are restricted. A hunter needs a controlled hunt validation tag to participate in a controlled hunt.

EXPORT PERMIT: The permit required to take a moose, deer, bear or furbearer, or any part of them out of Ontario.

LICENCES, TAGS AND GAME SEALS:

OUTDOORS CARDS:

An Outdoors card constitutes a licence to hunt the animals and birds specified on the licence tag when it is affixed to the card.

LICENCE TAG:

Means a tag, which when affixed to an Outdoors card, constitutes a licence to hunt animals or birds, or a class thereof specified on the tag.

GAME SEAL:

The seal that must be attached to a moose, deer, wild turkey or black bear as soon as the animal is killed. The seal must remain attached to the animal while it is transported.

VALIDATION TAG:

Means a tag which validates a licence to hunt game animals or birds of a specified number, age or sex or in a specified area. A validation tag must be affixed to the back of the game seal to allow hunters to hunt adult moose or antlerless deer. A validation tag is also needed to take part in the controlled hunts for deer.

NON-RESIDENT: A person who does not qualify as a resident (see **Resident**). The ownership of property in Ontario does not qualify a person for a resident's licence.

OFFICER: A conservation officer or a deputy conservation officer. This term also includes a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Force, a member of a police force appointed under the Police Services Act and any other person authorized to enforce the Game and Fish Act.

PARTY HUNTING: Hunting in a party of two or more persons who each have a valid licence to hunt, who agreed to hunt

cooperatively during a period in an area that can reasonably be hunted. Hunters in a party must be able to communicate with each other and have an effective means of notifying other members when an animal has been harvested. Party hunting is legal for moose, deer and bear.

RESIDENT: A person who has resided in Ontario for at least seven consecutive months during the previous 12 months before the time that the person's residence is relevant, for example, the issuance of a licence tag under the Game and Fish Act.

SELECTIVE HARVEST SYSTEM: The system that controls the harvest of prime breeding animals of moose and deer. The harvest of adult moose and antlerless deer is restricted to those who hold the appropriate validation tag, which is obtained through a random draw.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNITS

(WMU): Numbered divisions of the province used for wildlife management. WMU numbers are used in the tables for open seasons to indicate the relevant geographic areas of the province. Contact MNR office for exact descriptions of WMU boundaries.

Ministry of Natural Resources Offices

NORTHWEST REGION

Atikokan (WMUs 11A,12A,12B)
108 Saturn Avenue POT 1CO
(807) 597-6971

Dryden (WMUs 5,8,15A)
479 Government Road (Hwy.17),
Box 730 P8N 2Z4 (807) 223-3341

**Fort Frances
(WMUs 9A,9B,10,11A,12A,12B)**
922 Scott Street P9A 1J4
(807) 274-5337

**Geraldton
(WMUs 17,18A,18B,19)**
208 Beamish Avenue W.,
Box 640 POT 1MO
(807) 854-1030

Ignace (WMU 15A)
Box 448 POT 1TO
(807) 934-2233

Kenora (WMUs 6,7A,7B)
808 Robertson Street,
Box 5080 P9N 3X9
(807) 468-2501

Nipigon (WMUs 14,20)
Box 970 POT 2JO
(807) 887-5000

Red Lake (WMUs 2,3)
Box 5003 POV 2MO
(807) 727-2253

Sioux Lookout (WMUs 1C,4,16A,16B)
Prince Street, Box 309 POV 2TO
(807) 737-1140

Terrace Bay (WMU 21A)
Box 280 POT 2WO (807) 825-3205

Thunder Bay (WMUs 11B,13,15B,16C)
435 James Street S., Suite B001
P7E 6S8 (807) 475-1471

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION

Algonquin Park (WMU 51)
P.O. Box 219, Whitney K0J 2M0
(613) 637-2780

**Aurora, Greater Toronto Area (GTA)
(WMUs 72A,72B,73 (Durham Region
Only), 78,79C, 79D)**
50 Bloomington Road W.
L4G 3G8 (905) 713-7400

Aylmer (WMUs 90,91,92,93,94,95)
353 Talbot Street W. N5H 2S8
(519) 773-9241

**Bancroft
(WMUs 51,54,55A,56,57,60A,61,62)**
Box 500, Hwy. 28 K0L 1C0 (613) 332-3940

Bracebridge (WMUs 50,53)
R.R. 2, Hwy 11, North P1L 1W9
(705) 645-8747

Chatham (WMUs 93,94,95)
1023 Richmond Street W., Box 1168
N7M 5L8 (519) 354-7340

Clinton (WMUs 85,86)
100 Don St. Box 819 NOM 1L0
(519) 482-3428

Guelph (WMUs 80,85,86,87,88,89)
1 Stone Road W.
N1G 4Y2 (519) 658-9355

Kemptville (WMUs 63,64,65,66,67,69B)
Postal Bag 2002, Concession Road K0G 1J0
(613) 258-8204

Kingston (WMUs 68,69A,70,71)
51 Heakes Lane
K7M 9B1 (613) 531-5700

**Midhurst
(WMUs 76,77,81,82,83,84)**
Midhurst LOL 1X0
(705) 725-7500

Minden (WMUs 54,56)
Hwy. 35 By-pass KOM 2K0 (705) 286-1521

Niagara (WMUs 88,89)
4890 Victoria Avenue N. P.O. Box 5000
Vineland L0R 2E0
(905) 562-4147

Owen Sound (WMUs 82,83,84)
1450 Seventh Ave. East N4K 2Z1
(519) 376-3860

Parry Sound (WMUs 46,47,49,50,53)
7 Bay Street P2A 1S4 (705) 746-4201

Pembroke (WMUs 48,55B,58,59)
Riverside Drive, Box 220 K8A 6X4
(613) 732-3661

**Peterborough
(WMUs 71,72,72A,73,74,75)**
300 Water Street, P.O. Box 7000 K9J 8M5
(705) 755-2001

Tweed
Postal Bag 70, Old Troy Road K0K 3J0
(613) 478-2330

NORTHEAST REGION

Blind River (WMU 37)
62 Queen Street, Box 190 POR 1B0
(705) 356-2234

Chapleau (WMU 31)
190 Cherry Street POM 1K0
(705) 864-1710

Cochrane (WMUs 26,27)
2 Third Avenue, Box 730 POL 1C0
(705) 272-4365

Espanola (WMUs 38,43A,43B,44)
148 Fleming Street, Box 1340 P3E 1R8
(705) 869-1330

Gogama (WMU 29)
2000 Low Avenue, Box 129 POM 1W0
(705) 894-2000

Hearst (WMUs 22,23,24)
631 Front Street, Box 670 POL 1N0
(705) 362-4346

Kapuskasing
R.R.2 P5N 2X8
(705) 335-6191

Kirkland Lake (WMU 28)
Box 129, Corner Hwy. 66 & 112
POK 1TO (705) 642-3222

Manitouwadge (WMU 21B)
Box 309 POT 2CO
(807) 826-3225

**Moosonee
(WMUs 1A,1B,1D,25)**
Box 190 POL 1Y0
(705) 336-2987

North Bay (WMUs 40,41,47)
3301 Trout Lake Road
P1A 4L7
(705) 475-5550

Sault Ste. Marie (WMUs 35,36,37,45)
875 Queen St. E P6A 2B3
(705) 949-1231

Sudbury (WMUs 38,39,42,43A,43B,44)
3767 Hwy. 69 South, Suite 5
P3G 1E7 (705) 564-7823

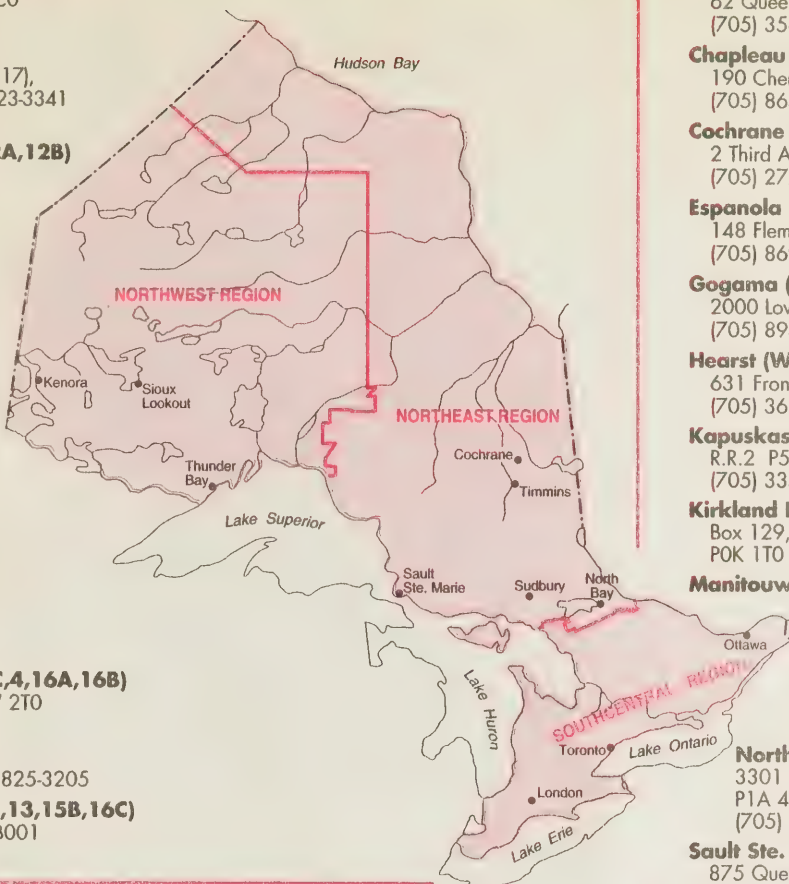
Timmins (WMUs 29,30)
896 Riverside Drive P4N 3W2
(705) 267-7951

Wawa (WMUs 32,33,34)
Box 1160 POS 1K0 (705) 856-2396

For additional information write,
visit or telephone the MNR Office
nearest to where you plan to hunt.

Address correspondence:
Ministry of Natural Resources
(Box No. or street address)
(City or Town), Ontario
Postal Code

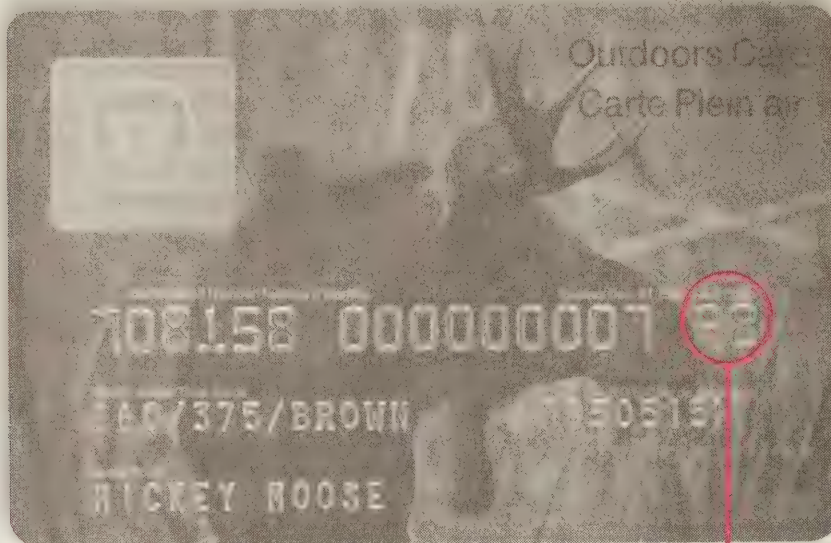
OR contact the Natural Resources
Information Centre, at:
General Inquiry 1-800-667-1940
French Inquiry 1-800-667-1840



IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Is Your Outdoors Card About To Expire?

Almost three-quarters of Ontario Outdoors Cards expire on December 31, 1998.



Check your card NOW, if it says "98" as shown here, your card expires at the end of this year.

DON'T PANIC

In early October you will receive a renewal package in the mail. Renewing your card will be easier than ever. *AFTER YOUR PACKAGE ARRIVES* choose how you wish to renew.

- 1) **BY PHONE** - By far the easiest and fastest method. Simply dial 1-800-288-1155 and let our operator quickly update your information and get your card issued right away.
- 2) **BY MAIL** - Complete the application contained in your October renewal package and drop it in the mail. Please note that this method takes 6 - 8 weeks.

IMPORTANT - If your card has already expired or you have moved and not notified the MNR of your new address, please call the Outdoor Card Centre at 1-800-387-7011 immediately.

Make Your Licence Dollars Go Even Further

CHECK THE RENEWAL PACKAGE you will receive in October for exciting incentives for prompt renewal of three year licences. Reduced administration costs associated with three year renewal of small game and fishing licences mean more net revenue for fish and wildlife programs.

Elk return to Ontario

MARCH 1, 1998 is an historic day for wildlife management in Ontario.

Through the efforts of twelve participating organizations, including the Ministry of Natural Resources, wild elk from Alberta are being transferred to suitable habitat in Ontario. The release of elk southwest of Sudbury, in the Nipissing-French River area, marks the beginning of an extensive planning and research project to restore this noble species.

Elk were once native to the province in a range south of a line from Kenora to Thunder Bay and from Sault Ste. Marie to the Ottawa Valley. By 1880, they were completely eliminated through loss of habitat and excessive harvest. A small re-introduction in the 1930s resulted in the survival of a small remnant herd which currently exists in the area of this release site. It is expected that the new arrivals will help the small but healthy existing herd overcome the mortality factors which have limited the herd's growth in the past.

Six broad release areas have been identified for possible future releases, including the Lake Nipissing-French River site, Lake of the Woods, the Lake Huron North Shore, Haliburton Highlands, Frontenac Axis and the Ottawa Valley. The project goal is to release over 500 elk over the next five years.

The following organizations have made this historic restoration program possible:

Cambrian College
Ministry of Natural Resources
Ontario Federation of Agriculture
Parks Canada

French River Tourist Outfitters
Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters
Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

Laurentian University
Ontario Deer & Elk Farmers Ass'n.
Ontario Fur Managers Federation
Safari Club International (Ont. Chapter)

Anyone wishing to support the restoration program may direct contributions to one of the following groups:

Ontario Federation of Anglers & Hunters
P.O. Box 2800
Peterborough, Ontario
K9J 8L5
Attention: Mike Reader
705-748-6324

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
5 Clarence Court
Barrie, Ontario
L4M 5J8
Attention: Len McRitchie
705-722-9697

Northern Environment Heritage Institute
Cambrian College
1400 Barrydowne Road
Sudbury, Ontario
P3A 3V8
Attention: Ivan Filion 705-566-8101



It Takes One... To Make One!

If you think about it, someone introduced you to hunting; perhaps a parent, another relative, a friend. Without their encouragement and support, it is unlikely that you would have decided to take a hunter education course.

For generations, hunters have shared their outdoor skills and their appreciation for wildlife with family and friends. Hunting is an integral part of Ontario's culture. You can ensure the tradition continues by passing along your love of the outdoors.

Hunting: Our Heritage...Our Future!

HUNTERS PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE in the future of our wildlife resources. Through the revenues from their licences, hunters directly support the wildlife management programs of the Ministry of Natural Resources. Game and fish clubs, conservation organizations and individual hunters contribute labour and resources in restoring and enhancing wildlife populations and habitat throughout the province.

THE FUTURE OF HUNTING IS IN YOUR HANDS!

For more information on promoting the values of hunting, contact:
Hunting Heritage, Hunting Futures Initiative, Box 5003 Huntsville, ON P1H 2K5 or call (705) 755-1711

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